Hundreds dead in Kabul revolt against Russians

Hundreds are believed to have died during the weekend uprising in Kabul. Although the city was quiet yesterday under Soviet guns, hatred of the Russians was simmering everywhere, according to messages reaching Islamabad and Delhi.

Hated Soviet troops split city in two

Islamabad, Feb 24.—Streets and pavements in Kabul are stained with blood after fighting in which hundreds of stain where they may try to seal off the border and try to prevent arms being smuggled in—Reuter. people are thought to have been killed, informed sources

said here today.

The sources, who have access to reliable information in the Afghan capital, said that hospitals were strained to the limit. Some had run short of beds and

Evidence of large-scale killing is everywhere, particularly in the old city," one source said. "It is believed there are several hundred dead and the

number of wounded could be in the rhousands."

Afghanistan said today in a statement broadcast by Moscow radio that it had crushed an attempt organized by the United States, China and Pakistan to mount a revolt against the new Soviet-backed Govern-

The sources said that bazaars and shops in Kabul were closed for the fourth consecutive day in a sign of continuing unrest. Intermittent firing could also be heard. "The city is extremely tense although Kabul is very much in the iron grip of Soviet and Afghan troops", a source

According to reports reaching here, Soviet troops in Jalala-

Muslim rebels, according to re-ports reaching Delhi. At 4.30 pm local time yester-

At 4.50 pm tocal time yester-day, Soviet forces were de-ployed in a way that split the city so as to improve control of residents' movements and traffic, already limited by many readblacks. They sealed off the

The Reports said that there had been a "tremendous inten-sification" of anti-Soviet hatred them.—Agence France-Presse. Deputy Primier in Moscow: Mr Sultan Ali Kishtmand, the Afghan Second Deputy Prime Minister, is recovering in a Moscow hospital after treatment for a stomach ulcer, the Afghan Embassy in Moscow said today. It denied that Mr Kishtmand had died from bullet wounds suffered during a clash wounds suffered during a clash

bad continued to be reinforced and may now number about 5,000. Some were understood to be heading north-east and east towards the frontier with Paki-

Kabul cut in two: Soviet troops have cut Kabul in two and sealed off key areas from the

roadblocks. They sealed off the Soviet Embassy area and the old bazaar, as well as the Micro-Rayon Russian housing complex and the Balah Khessar fortress

which was expected to lead to further outbursts of unrest. An unconfirmed report said that Afghan troops loyal to the Soviet-installed Babrak Karmal regime had fired only above the heads of the crowd, while the Russians had shot directly into

Mr Sirs and Mr Hector Smith, leader of the blastfurnacemen's union, hope that British Steel will announce that it has dropped its deadline of 52,000 within Afghanistan's ruling Revolutionary Council.—Reuter. Leading article, page 15 redundancies in the industry by the end of August.

committee meeting.

Labour Reporter

Leaders of the main union concerned in the national steel

strike, which this week enters its third month, this afternoon are expected to call off the

action by its members in the

private steel companies in the face of their increasing reluc-

The executive committee of the Iron and Steel Trades Con-federation will meet a short time after Mr William Sirs, the

union's general secretary, has met senior British Steel Cor-poration officials at a TUC steel

tance to stay out on strike.

British Steel officials refused to be drawn on what might be said at the steel committee meeting by Mr Robert Scholey, the corporation's chief executive, and Dr David Grieves, personnel director, but said

UN team in Tehran: President Bani-

Sadr of Iran (centre), shaking hands with Mr Muhammad Bedjaoni of

Algeria during the formal welcom-

ing of the five-member commission

of inquiry to Iran yesterday. The

United Nations, which sponsors the

commission, and the Carter Administration, hope that the in-vestigation into the deposed Shah's

nowledged that withdrawing the strike instruction from the private sector would weaken their position, and might stiffen the resolve of the "hawks" in the Cabinet who, the union believes, hope that the resolve

Mr Sirs is expected to end union

rule will lead to the release of the

hostages held in the American

The commission, composed of five lawyers, received promises of co-

operation from Iranian leaders,

including Mr Sadaq Qotbzadah, the

Foreign Minister. But government

officials insisted that the commis-sion's task was not to free the 49

Embassy in Tehran.

of confederation members in British Sceel will start to flag. The union said yesterday that there was no evidence of this happening and it did not consider the votes to return to work by 5,000 workers at Hadfields and at other private sec-tor companies as a defeat. With the private sector back at work,

the union would start receiving subscriptions again and a

levy of the private sector mem-bers to support the British Steel strike had not been ruled The union's leaders are also angry at the corporation's re-sponse to the claim which was presented on Friday and which was dismissed by Mr Scholey as

tween the two sides. Mr Roy Evans, the confederathat a delay in the closure Scholey's "abacus was not programme did not mean that working properly" and that he extra funds could be transhad not taken into account the ferred to meet the unions' pay fact that the unions were offer-claim. fact that the unions were offer-

action at private steel firms Hadfields men revolt: Open revolt against the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation strike showed at the weekend with the decision by private sector steelworkers to resume normal work at Hadfields, one of Sheffield's biggest privately-owned steel companies (Ronald

> field). Workers at Sheffield's other big steelmaker, Firth Brown, have also decided on a return

Protest strike call: Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, yesterday called for a national one-day stoppage in protest against Government policies (the Press Association reports). "We are asking people on

(Wednesday) May 14 to take the day off from work to demonstrate their protest and to make their voices heard," he told a meeting of Dover Trades A protest march in London

as already been fixed for Mr. Murray said: "We shall Miners work on after big snub to leaders

American hostages, and it was not

clear whether they would be allowed

President Bani-Sadr has said that

America's recognition of its past

role in supporting the Shah in his

alleged crimes against the Iranian

people is a prime condition for the

release of the hostages. But in an interview with the official Paris

to see the captives.

jected by a crushing majority the recommendation by their leaders to start an indefinite strike from today.

Work will continue normally in the area's 36 pits after the men voted by 22,000 to 4,000 to rebel against their executive committee, who called the arting in process coincides the action in protest against the action in protest against the British Steel Corporation's plan to run down steelmaking in Wales. That the executive said, could lead to the closure of up to 20 pits, with the loss of 14,000 jobs.

The miners' decision, which has supported by workers at the

was supported by workers at the most militant mines in the area, led to calls for the resignation of the union's leadership and renewed accusations that they were out of touch with grass

roots feeling.

After a long meeting of the executive on Saturday, Mr George Rees, secretary of the South Wales miners, said it was "extremely disappointed" with the results, although they showed that his miners would want to say: 'We don't like action as long as it was organyour policies. They must be replaced by policies which bind the wounds of the nation'."

Mr Rees said a statement by Arr kees said a statement by Mr Philip Weekes, area director of the National Coal Board, that it would be "bloody madical recommendation by their eaders to start an indefinite strike from today.

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news agency, Mr Qotbzadeh re-

hostages were separate issues.

peated that the commission and the

The whole issue of the hostages' release appears to have been post-

poned after a weekend statement by

Ayatollah Khomeini banding over

the setting of terms for their release

to Iran's Parliament, which is to be elected next month.

miners are beaten and that the way is open to announce pit closures, but I have no doubt the men would fight them on that issue," he said.

"The NCB will try to announce a programme of pit closures in the near future and we can prove they have drawn up a list of 12 mines they would like to get rid of". Mr Rees claimed that the NCB, after asking the miners

to take steps to prevent the importation of foreign coking coal had destroyed their efforts by "interference" in the ballot and had undermined their blacking agreements with the

Tomorrow a special delegate conference is to discuss the alleged interference, which coal board officials strongly deny. The delegates will also examine their unanimous recommendation was so clearly at edds with the mood of the coalfield.

Union indiscipline, page 14

President Tito weakened

by pneumonia Belgrade, Feb 24.—President Tito is now suffering from pneumonia as well as serious kidney trouble and his power of resistance is clearly declin-

was disclosed vesterday.

He had been put on a dialysis machine which seemed to have stabilized his weakened kidneys but because of prolonged rest he developed pneumonia which

Republicans stop being nice to one another

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Feb 24

Washington, Feb 24
The Republican candidates for the Presidency stopped being nice to one another last night. Hitherto, they have observed the eleventh commandment laid down by Mr Ronald Reagan—thou shalt not speak ill of other Republicans. Senator Howard Baker used to say that he would not mount to the presidency over the to say that he would not mount to the presidency over the bodies of his friends. He discovered last night that that might be the only road to the White House and that others were quite ready to use it. Five candidates, including Mr Baker and Mr Reagan, spent an acrimonious evening in Nashua, New Hampshire, speaking very ill of and to Mr George Bush. Mr John Anderson called him arrogant. Mr Baker said, "If he is the front runner, he wears

that crown most unbecomingly."
Senator Robert Dole said,
"George Bush has torpedoed
us tonight; he had better find
himself another party." Representative Philip Crane said: "I
would not lend one iota of
legitimator to this fraud."

This sound and fury was provoked by Mr Bush's attitude to a debate that had been proa debate that had been proposed by the Nashua Telegraph. The newspaper thought that a debate between the two frontruners, Mr Bush and Mr Reagan, would be more rewarding than one involving all seven candidates.

There was a such a debate on Wednesday, and it was indeed exceedingly dull, partly because they were all so polite to each other. Five who were excluded by the proposal of the Nashua Telegraph all protested bitterly, and the Federal Election Com-mission ruled that the news-paper could not pay for the debate because that would be a corporate contribution to the Bush and Reagan campaigns. Mr Reagan then proposed to share the expense with Mr Bush

and when his rival declined, paid for it all himself and, at the last moment, invited the other five candidates to attend. Four accepted gladly (Mr John Connally was out of state and missed the event) but Mr Bush refused. He and the Nashua Telegraph wanted two-man debate

The newspaper invited the four unlucky candidates, Sena-tor Baker and Senator Dole and Mr Anderson and Mr Crane, to attend the debate and to make short statements at the end of it. All six men came on to the it. All six men came on to the platform in a school gymnasium in Nashua, and Mr John Breen, the newspaper's executive editor, took the

Mr Reagon took the microphone, and started to make a statement to explain why the debate would be between him and Mr Bush alone. Mr Breen interrupted: "Will the sound man please turn Mr Reagan's microphone off?"

This provoked a storm of protest from the audience, and the comment from Mr Reagan: "I am the sponsor, and I sup-pose I have some rights". Mr Breen abandoned his objections. Mr Reagan blamed Mr Bush for the confusion and for the exclusion of the other four candidates, while his rival sat uncomfortably off to one side. The other four then walked off, shaking Mr Reagan's band and ignoring Mr Reagan's band and ignoring Mr Bush.
"There'll be another day,

Continued on page 6, col 5

Herr Brandt 'sought as East-West mediator'

From Gretel Spitzer Berlin, Feb 24

Herr Willy Brandt, chairman of West Germany's Social Democratic Party, and former Chancellor, was asked by the United States and the Soviet Union whether he would be willing to act as a mediator between Washington and Moscow, Der Spiegel, the news magazine reported today.
Herr Lothar Schwarz, a spokesman for the SPD, parti-

ally confirmed the report. He said that it contained "more speculative than helpful and Asked whether he denied the report, he said: "No." He

would not elaborate. (Reuter reports from Hamburg that an SPD spokesman said it was correct that Mr got to alk again". Herr Brandt earlier this month. The spokesman refused to confirm or deny whether the President bad asked Mr Brandt to go to Moscow. Mr Brandt did not plan a trip at present, he

Der Spiegel's story, in brief, is as follows: On Friday, February 15, Herr Brandt submitted

the report of the North-South Commission to President Carter. The President asked Herr Brandt if he was prepared to undertake a trip to Moscow; in view of his good relations with Mr Brezhnev, it was felt he could get dialogue between East and West started again.
The magazine quotes Mr Carter as saying: "Please start on the assumption that we have got totalk again". Herr Brandt was reported to have reacted with caution, but to have let

the President know that he was prepared to make such a trip. According to the magazine, the Russians approached Herr Brandt on February 4, when Mr Vladimir Semyonov, the Soviet Ambassador, gave Herr Brandt a list of what Moscow considered offences by the West

Washington responds: While declining any official comment on the report, Administration officials said it was quite possible that President Carter or his senior foreign policy advisers had asked Herr Brandt to mediate with Moscow over Afghanistan (Our Washington Correspondent writes).

against détente.

Oil tanker disaster poses threat to Greek bay

Marine were working today at the Bay of Pylos in southwestern Greece to prevent an ecological disaster after the Greek tanker Irene Serenade sank with 101,000 tons of crude

fuelling. A sudden explosion followed by a fire left in ablaze and half-sunk about one mile from the barbour

The first mate and the purser were reported missing, but the remaining crew—12 Greeks and foreigners—were safe

From Mario Modiano

Athens, Feb 24

Four anti-pollution squads of the Green Ministry of Merchant

The tanker sank early today after a series of explosions. The fire died down, but oil continued to gush out of the hull.

The anti-pollution teams, working from four special craft, tried to restrict the oil slick which, if left unchecked, could destroy all the marine life in the bay, considered one of the

ing the oil from Syria to Trieste, put in at Pylos yesterday for refuelling. A sudden to be renewed. The bay is three and a half miles long and two

Three years ago Pylos Bay was the centre of controversy when conservationists fought a legal battle against plans to set up a chain of industries there based on a large shipyard.

Security forces show off Soviet tanks as rallies end Rhodesia poll campaign

From Nicholas Ashford and Dan van der Vat Salisbury, Feb 24

The election campaign for the 80 African seats in the Salisbury Parliament came to an end today with the last big weekend rallies by the contending parties. Voting takes place on Wednesday, Thursday and

Friday. One notable absentee from the weekend rallies was Mr Robert Mugabe, leader of the radical Zanu (PF) party. He was to have spoken at a meeting at Umtali yesterday but changed his plans after a rocket was found outside the stadium. He has not addressed a rally for two weeks, having also failed to appear at a meeting at Bulawayo a week ago:

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again for security reasons.
As Mr Joshua Nkomo, leader
of the Patriotic Front (PF), and
Bishop Abel Muzorewa, the
former Prime Minister and
leader of the UANC, addressed
their final rallies, 570 British
policemen were being sent out today to rural polling stations, ready to reassure voters of the secrecy and honesty of the ballor. The men arrived here at the weekend with tropical-weight uniforms and their tra-ditional helmers.

The Rhodesian Security Forces have proudly displayed their latest military acquisition to the Rhodesian press-Soviet

T55 tanks. In an extraordinarily insensitive and untimely demonstration, the Security Forces also disclosed that they had acquired air-to-air missiles for their aging British-made

Hawker Hunter fighters.

The Rhodesians are believed to have about 32 Soviet tanks, enough to equip about half an armoured regiment. They are understood to have been sent on an East European cargo ship by Colonel Gaddafi of Libya to President Amin of Uganda as the Amin regime was collapsing. The ship was apparently diverted at sea to Durban, South Africa, from where the tanks were brought into Rhodesia As foreshadowed in reports

in The Times last week, good news appears imminent on the vexed question of integrating the two guerrilla armies—the Mugabe-led Zanla and the pro-Nkomo Zipra—with the Security Forces. A site near Bulawayo is believed to have been chosen for the assembly of about 1,000 men-one third from each force -to be trained as the first post independence integrated regi-ment. Formation of one integrated unit before independence is regarded here as the mini-mum necessary to allay fears of a renewal of civil war. Muzorewa plea and Mr Nkomo

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建筑公司的公司工程是中国的联系的企业公司 Thatcher plan for 13,000 laid off today **Budget and cuts** in 'one big dose'

Mrs Thatcher is considering delivering one big dose of bitter medicine by deferring the White Paper on public expenditure cuts by a week and publishing it with the Budget on March 26. It is expected to propose a reduction of a further £700m in next year's spending plus any reduction in Britain's contribution to the European Economic the European Economic

"Party police" to control late-night noise are operating in parts of London. The police", environmental health officers. who are sometimes accompanied by real

EEC-Yugoslavia pact

Press vindicated

The Press Council has said its inquiry failed to establish that the press acted improperly towards Professor Bedson, who killed himself after a smallnox outbreak in Birmingham Page 4

Israeli currency flight The Israelis have reacted to the introduc-tion of the shekel, their biblically inspired new currency, with a run on Arab money-changers. Food prices have sharply increased. The general reaction to the

shekel's name has been unfavourable

of layoffs caused by the sharp drop in the market share of BL vehicles will affect 21,000 workers, 18 per cent of the work-force, over the next few weeks Page 17 **Attack on Phalangist** Mr Bashir Gemayel, the military comman-

Nearly 13,000 British Leyland employees will be laid off and 6,500 go on short-time working today. A planned programme

at British Leyland

der of Lebanon's Phalangists, escaped a bomb attempt on his life, but his daughter and seven others were killed. The attack dashed prospects of talks aimed at forging national unity

U S warning on coup Amid fears that a right-wing coup is imminent in El Salvador the United States has said it will cut off aid to any new regime which fails to respect human rights

and frustrates reforms Benn bafflement: Associates of Mr Wedg-wood Benn denied that he had ever con-trolled Labour's left-dominated national executive executive

Sea treasure: Two divers have salvaged fittings worth £100,000 from the liner Oceanic, which sank off Shetland in 1914 2 RSPCA revolt: Activists in the RSPCA decided to campaign for changes in the Government's Farm Animal Welfare Coun-

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Americans win gold

The United States ice hockey team came from behind to bear Finland 4—2 and win the gold medal at the Winter Olympics. On Friday night they provided the surprise of the Games by beating the Soviet Union

in ice hockey

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> plant patient died shortly after the operation, but the first heart recipient, Mr Ronald Marney, continues to make good Mr Morris's operation took

for 10 minutes.

surgery from Sir Henry Yellow-lees, chief medical officer of the Department of Health, who has written to area health authorities saying that transplants should be carried out only as part of a planued programme, and not as "one-off" operations.

ne was given the heart of a woman aged 26 in an operation lasting four hours early on Saturday, performed by a team led by Mr Magdi Yacoub. Mr Morris, believed to be the first Welshman to undergo the operation, was able to eat lunch resterday and to see his wife

Each operation costs about £17,300. Surgeons at Harefield learnt some weeks ago that National Health Service funds His is the third transplant to be carried out at Harefield. Last would provide only about £10,000 for each operation. Monday the first woman trans-Since then several thousand

Mr Victor Ripley, the hospi-Mr Morris's operation took tal spokesman said yesterday place after a reminder of the that the medical team had high cost of transplantation every intention of carrying on.

making good progress Mr Derrick Morris, aged 49, a Swansea dock foreman who has become Britain's eleventh heart transplant patient, was reported to be making good progress yesterday at Harefield Hospital, Middlesex.

Heart transplant patient is

He was given the heart of a Some medical authorities have interpreted that as a veiled criticism of the Harefield team, but those surgeons see it as a warning to other hospitals not to embark on transplant opera-

pounds has been raised in

donations.

London's 'noise police ' police, are available to call on parties as soon as a complaint is received Page 4

The EEC and Yugoslavia have concluded a preferential trading agreement after two years of negotiations. It is hoped that it will improve Yugoslavia's economic strength and its ability to defend its non-page 6 aligned status

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government information ser-

It can take between four

months and one year to nego-tiate the recruitment of an out-sider to an information officer

vacancy. Mr Maude will meet vacancy. Mr Maude will meet representatives of the Institu-tion of Professional Civil Ser-vants, the union which repre-sents professional information

officers, mmorrow to explore possible arrangements for introducing more and swifter

movement inside the informa-

By David Nicholson-Lord

mon cold.

A leading teaching hospital is

investigating an unorthodox therapy which is said to have succeeded in combating a range of illnesses, including the com-

The therapy is the product of

more than three decades of spare-time research by Mr

Leonard Head, of Cranbrook, Kent, a former furniture manu-

factturer, who believes he is

pioneering in a field ignored by conventional medicine.

therapy are oxygen and nega-tive ions, small air perticles which have "picked up" an extra electron. With a combina-

tion of those, he says, he has prevented or retarded influenza,

bronchitis, arthritis, eczema and varieties of heart and intestinal

He has also successfully treated burns and relieved Ray-

neud's disease, a circulatory condition in which nervous

stress causes ulcerated fingers and toes. He believes his therapy has wider applications.

Many of the 20 cases Mr

Head has helped have been family or friends. He has set

up the Institute of Pneumo-therapy, formulated Head's theory of climatic conditions and virus diseases, and kept him and his family free of the common cold for about 25

The two constituents of his

Mrs Thatcher considering 'one big dose' of bitter medicine by issuing cuts plans with the Budget

The Prime Minister is considering postponing by a week the White Paper on public

Budget on March 26.

That would mean deferring when she issued her call in the the Defwence White Paper until after the Budget, probably until Easter week in April, just before Parliament rises for the public test of the kind that Mrs Thatcher has enjoyed in the

Those arrangements, it was Those arrangements, it was learnt yesterday, are intended to avert any disorder in presentation of the Government's reducmed spending programes, not only for next year but also for the years 1981-84. Reports that Cabinet arguments over cuts have delayed the Defence White Paper are firmly resisted. White Paper are firmly resisted, if only because the argument was settled some weeks ago, in the Defence Ministry's favour. The paper detailing the fresh round of cuts for 1980-81, an exercise that cmaused some controversy in the Cabinet, had been planned for publication on

It is expected to propose lopping at least a further £700m off next year's public spending, plus whatever can be reduced from Britain's net contribution next financial year of more than £1,000m to the EEC budget.

postponement would mean, in terms of presentation, that the bitter medicine will come in one big dose rather

That is just as well, considering the Tory leadership's sum-mons to "stick together while the going is extremely tough" as ord Trorneycroft, the party chairman, put it in a message today to local party officers. Mrs Margaret Thatcher the approximate cut in Labour's issued a similar call at last lead to 4½ per cent reported in

Fire attack is

condemned

by Mr Sirs

Industrial Correspondent

By Our Midlands

Thursday's Cabinet meeting, in view of what she called the tough formight ahead. the latest Gallup poll, there is some ground for Conservative satisfaction. But Mrs Thatcher Reports that she issued a directive to some of her dis-

expenditure cuts, and instead senting colleagues in effect to publishing it together with the Budget on March 26.

That would mean deferring when she issued her call in the confirmed beautiful to the confirmed

Tonight she is being interviewed by Mr Robin Day on BBC1's Panorama programme, and is said to be preparing herself with some care. On Thursday she will reply in the Commons to the Opposition's motion of no confidence, to be moved by Mr James Callaghan.

While there is no doubt that

the Government will prevail in the vote, many of her sup-porters are looking to her for a sparkling performance at the dispatch box. They need it to rally party morale after the raily party morate after the Government's uncertain handling of policy in the two months of the steel strike.

Obviously the Government is relishing the better news from the refusals to strike of BL workers, South Wales miners and the private steel unrivers

and the private steel workers. All ministers would also dearly like to have some progress towards settlement in the steel strike to report by Thursday. It is accepted, however, that there is little sign of movement, although several ministers believe that some creative negotiation should be attempted. Reports that the party leadership has also been encouraged by private opinion polls are not

Since they apparently reflect the approximate cut in Labour's

Mr Angus Maude, Paymaster General and minister responsible for the coordination of

vices, is considering schemes has always preferred to empha-size her interest in real poling, for introducing greater mobility inside the press offices of and some Conservative MPs from the South-east are worried Whitehall departments, with over the test of the Southend, East, by-election on March 13. more interchange between information and specialists and Lord Thorneycroft asserted in his message that Mrs Thatcher's was "not a Cabinet divided", even while confirming the differences that have lately been emerging publicly. A Cabinet facing Labour's legacy of economic damage, he said, "whose members express administrators. An elaborate trawling system is used at present to find candidates for promotion to top posts in the information group whose members have traditionally tried to resist the appointment of administrators to specialist information jobs.

regacy or economic damage, he said, "whose members express some compassionate understanding of the problems which confront ordinary men and women in this country, is not a Cabinet which reflects the historic traditions and humanity. toric traditions and humanity of the Conservative approach ... it should command respect,

not criticism ". Lord Thorneycroft, of course, knows, and feels, that it is the compassionate side of this Gov-ernment's politics that has been lacking in public, and that some Cabinet members are restive

The most vibrant celebration of recent anti-strike action came on Saturday in a speech at Minehead by Mr Edward du Cann, chairman of the 1922 Committee of Conservative backbenchers.

Detecting a new industrial revolution ahead, he said: "Workers all over the country are repudiating extremists' leadership, with its mixture of Luddite and self-destructive tendencies, and demanding the

Weak management and poor political leadership, over-sensitive to vociferous minorities, have endured for far too long. Union indiscipline, page 14



committee were trying yester-day to find new headquarters after the fire attack on Edg-combe House, in Rotherham, on Saturday night. Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC, visited

Leaders of the Iron and Steel

the damaged building and said the attack was "piece of mad-ness". He said that after the attacks on unions recently by some Conservative leaders, "it some Conservative leaders, "it will be interesting to see if the Government is as keen to protect the unions. We may find we are on the receiving end of

Cambridgeshire win counties bridge final By Oud Bridge Correspondent

Cambridgeshire and Hunting-donshire scored their first vic-tory in the final of the counties teams of eight bridge champion-ships organized by the English Bridge Union at Birmingham at the weekend. Their young team achieved a convincing victory, 16 points ahead of London, the favourites although being to favourites, although losing to them in their individual match. Results: Cambs and Hunts lost to London 15-17. heat North West 19-11. heat North 30-10. heat Somerset 2-3. London heat North West 35-05. heat Somerset 11-19-15. hosts 15-15. heat Somerset 11-19. heat Somerset 13-17. North West 32. North West 25. Winning team: A. D. Hough, M. J. Atherton: S. G. Barnfield, D. W. P. Kendrick: T. Rees, D. Harris: S. A. Young, W. E. Lee: P. Burrow, D. A. L. Burn.



Atlantic adventure: Mr Thomas McClean, a former Andrew Wilson, aged 22, at soldier, who has been advisthe prow of a 20 ft boat in ing him on his expedition, which he hopes to become which is supported by the Oxford University Explorathe youngest person to row the Atlantic. A postgraduate led a successful six-man student at St John's College, expedition from London Uni-Oxford, he built the boat versity to the Arctic nearly with the aid of sponsorship two years ago, expects to row in his home town, Bracknell, non-stop for the first 60 Berkshire, and plans to begin hours to escape strong curthe 2,500-mile crossing from rents. After that the possible Newfoundland to Ireland in hazards include hurricanes, June. He hopes to beat the whales, sharks, icebergs and

tion Board. Mr Wilson, who

'Ban offenders from meetings' call

More than 30 football supporters are to appear before Eristol magistrates today after clashes during and after Chelsea's game with Bristol Rovers on Saturday. The charges include criminal damage, threatening behaviour and assault on police.

Two juveniles have been repleased, but all the adults arrested were kept in custody. More than 35 people were taken to hospital after supporters rampaged through the streets after Chelsea's 3—0 defeat. The trouble started at the game.

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Courts should have powers to ban certain offenders from attending public meetings, Mr John Wheeler, Conservative MP for the City of Westminster, Paddington, suggests in a Conservative Political Centre servative Political Centre mamphler published today. A must be free to hold meetings at election time.

or offenders from picketing, demonstrations and public meetings.

Mr Wheeler, a former assistant governor at Wandsworth and Brixton prisons, acknowledges that any political group must be free to hold meetings at election time.

Courts should have powers of offences connected with courts to stop such offenders

Over 30 supporters arrested | Decision on animal virus disease expected soon

By Our Veterinary Correspondent Ministers are expected to an-nounce in a month their decision about action against Aujesky's disease, a virus disease that can affect many species, including cattle and cats, its most serious impact is on pri farms, because it can become established in a herd, causing abortion and death to recome serious. in young rigs.

In young 1735.

Since last August farmers have been required by law to notify suspected outbreaks. No further action is taken, however, so it is possible for pigs to be moved and spread the clisease.

Other nonflable disease, include a legal requirement for the slaughter and destruction of infected antiquals to prevent the condition from spreading.

The pig industry, supported by the veterinary profession, has

The pig industry, supported by the veterinary profession, has been pressing for an official eradication policy while the presidence of the disease is still low. In other countries, notably Holland since 1974, Aujesky's disease has spread quickly and become a serious difficulty. The fear is that a similar eruption could occur in Britain.

The main antiques have been put

The main options have been put before representatives of the mg ludustry and the Ministry of Agri-culture. Fisheries and Food. One ls eradication by compulsory slaughter of affected herds. Others are partial eradication, either by tackling only the worst geographi-cal areas or the top national sup-pliers of breeding stock, and control by vaccination. Partial eradication is not

favoured because it so clearly fails between two stools and the disease could readily return to the most important section of the industry from the foct left mattacked. The prime choice lies between eradication and vaccination.

Vaccines are used in other countries but their role is to converge

Vaccines are used in other countries but their role is to suppress the clinical signs of the disease; the virus infection can still spread and may even increase. None of the existing vaccines is thought to be ideal for use in Britain, and there is lutle incentive for a pharmaceutical company to produce a new vaccine for such a small potential market.

The true costs of a vaccination

The true costs of a vaccination policy have been questioned, as some experts believe that it is not sufficient just to vaccinate adults. Growing pigs should also be vaccinated, and that multiplies the

Cour.
The veterinary authorities in Holland are satisfied that vaccinanon is not the answer. Were they still in our favourable position, they would probably opt for total eradication, although no country

they would probably opt for toral endication, although no country has yet tried it.

The Ministry of Agriculture first questioned whether it was const-cifective to act vigorously against a disease when it was apparently at such a low level. Even now, since compulsory notification, there are thought to be only about 90 infected herds. The disease it not confirmed under the notification order unless there are both clinical signs and evidence of virus infection; since the date of the official order, only 13 new outbreaks have been confirmed to date, including five this year.

Reliant launches convertible Scimitar car

By Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent A convertible version of the 12-year-old Scimitar sports car is launched today by the British specialist car maker, Reliant of Tamworth, Called the Scimitar GTC, the new model costs \$11,360.

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It is powered by the German Ford 2.8 fittle V6 congine and has a top speed of around 120mph. Reliant plans to make 25 cars a week and claims that the GTC is the only convertible which has four full seats for the price.

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Initially the car will be available with a soft top only, but a hard-topped version is planned for the autumn. Exports to the Continent are expected to start about the middle of the year.

The Scimitar GTE performance estate continues, with

mance estate continues, with suspension and trim modifications and with the 2.8 litre engine fitted in place of the Ford three-litre. Both the GTC and GTE have been designed to take a fuel injection system later on. The revised GTE costs £10,324.

These are the first new

model announcements since Reliant was taken over by the engineering group, J. F. Nash Securities, at the end of 1977. At that time the company was on the verge of collapse and

Better Whitehall information system sought

More mobility needed between press officers and administrators

Hospital to investigate therapy said to combat range of illnesses

He now thinks there are

signs of willingness in the medical profession to entertain his ideas, if not yet of accept-

Both his treatment of arthritis, for example, and his theory on viral infections, par-

ticularly influenza, are being tested at a large London teaching hospital, where results are expected in a year.

Mr Head is funding university recently into capter and

sity research into cancer and enlisting specialist aid in the

enisting specialist and in the design of a commercial ionizer for home use, costing an estimated £50.

"I help people if they ask me snd if I think I can", he says, "but my basic aim is to provide them with the knowledge to practice self-medicate.

ledge to practise self-medica-

Self-medication consists of regular inhalations from an

oxygen extractor which costs £1,200 and provides a 90 per cent concentration of the gas

taken straight from the atmos-phere. The other essential unit

is a small black box which transmits streams of negative

ions.
Mr Head's thesis is that

many illnesses have their roots

in conditions of anoxia, or lack of oxygen, often localized. He

believes that the supply of elec-trons from the ionizer aids

cellular respiration and thus activates the oxygen within the

Ionizer could be answer to colds and burns

vidual

He explained: "I would like, in concert with the Civil Service Department, to get a reasonably friendly agreement with the unions that would, if not loosen up, at least speed up recruitment and transfer procedures.

A chance remark launched his research. Shortly after the

war his son, then aged four,

suffered repeated and acute attacks of bronchitis. His wife

observed that they seemed to coincide with a high wind.

Mr Head, who was a pilot

the war, knew that high winds involved changes in barometric

pressures and thus changes in

tions. He began comparing offi-

cial weather charts with statis-tics on deaths from virus diseases and discovered a con-sistently high correlation.

Later he formulated a theory

that different viruses incubate

in different bands of pressure, and he began a long exchange of letters with the Ministry of Health in 1955, culminating, he

says, in his accurate prediction of an outbreak of poliomyelitis.

Mr Head kept that correspon-dence. I knew nobody would

accept what I had to say, so I wanted to be able to prove it

investigated reports on the benefits of negative ions and found, he says, that they were complementary to his oxygen

"I have clinical proof of my therapy; I am successfully treating people", he says.

40, of Sissinghurst, Kent, met Mr Head last summer.

Bombs found in

Mrs Jennifer Stonestreet, aged

Some 10 years ago Mr Head

20 years later."

Cornwall.

mospheric oxygen concentra-

take them seriously and regard them as an inferior breed.
He is open minded about the benefits of seconding administrators to information work, arguing that successful transfers depend on the individual.

government press and public relations officers.
The other hallmark of Mr Maude's stewardship of the government information services has been his cleansing of transfers departmental press offices from any traint of party public. The other hallmark of Mr Maude's stewardship of the government information services has been his cleansing of departmental press offices from any taint of party political propaganda. He has made it clear to press officers that their job is to provide factual information and to explain government policy.

He said: "Once they have begun to be used by ministers for anything approaching party

not loosen up, at least speed up recruitment and transfer procedures.

It would be in the best interest of the Civil Service and the information group.

The trawling procedures really have gammed up the works. There is too little mobility and too little opportunity to widen the horizons of individual information officers.

Mr Angus Maude: Seeking a more fluid relationship.

Mr Angus Maude : Seeking a more fluid relationship with the administrative work would be been the experience of an information officer, many of whom have compokined in the past that administrators do not seeking and transfer procedures.

He said: "Unce they nave procedures for anything approaching party political propaganda, their use-fulness and credibility affected. I do not think it can happen now because there are noo many watchdogs."

The "watchdogs." Mr Bernard Ingham, Chief Mr Bernard Ingham, Chief Press Secretary to the Prime Minister, and Mr John Groves, Director-General of the Central Officers of Information (COI).

The believes a spell of administrative work would broaden the experience of an information officer, many of whom have compokined in the past that administrators do not

"I had been suffering from arthritis for over nine years before that", she said. "I was in pain all the time. I could not sleep at night, was not able to do simple jobs like ironing and was on the point of giving up work because I could not cope."

After trying "everything".

rowed an ionizer from Mr Head and the pain disappeared in a

his oxygen and electron units

will be standard home equip-

His theories are regarded in some medical quarters as of

Mr Head has suggested a Medical Research Council investigation to test his claims.

Twenty-two crewmen from a Dutch trawler, the Ondernem-

ing, which caught fire after an engine-room explosion 23 miles off the Lizard. Cornwall, were landed yesterday at Falmouth. The chief engineer died in the

A Dutch hospital ship, the

De Hoope, rescued the men on Saturday night after they had taken to rafts.

The De Hoope later returned to the 327-ton trawler and towed it to Falmouth.

Crew of Dutch

land after fire

trawler

fire.

Weather forecast and recordings

ment, particularly for

source, disappointing.

the start of this century for nealry film. Her fittings, richly embellished in gold plate, marble and carved woodwork, brought her the description of the Hotel Cecil affoat. More than half a militon people attended her launching at the Harland and wolff yard in Bel-

The "Queen of the Seas", as she became known, plied be-tween Liverpool and New York until the outbreak of the first World war, when she became HMS Oceanic and was assigned to patroi duties as an armed merchant cruiser. After only a formight in her new role, the Oceanic in dark-

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yields up her

Two divers have quietly sal-vaged the valuable heart of one of Britain's most splendid

one of Britain's most splendid liners, watched on a reef off Shetland nearny 66 years ago. The Oceanic, near sister of the Titanic, came to an igno-minous end on the shaalvs Reef, near Foula, on Sep-tember 7, 1914.

About 700ft long and 30,000 tons gross, she was built about the start of this century for

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ness struck the shadys, two miles east of Foula. She was abandoned and a storm ground her to pieces n a night, leaving her wreckage in 30ft of water.

After the was she was bouth for £200 by the salvage company which also acquired the German Grand Fleet lying scuttled in Scapa Flow. A diver from Orkney, robbic Robertson, tried to reach the remains of the Oceanic but his reports of 12 knot tides and extremeny bazardous condi-tions ended any further hope of salvage.

In 1973 two professional divers, Alec Crawford and Simon Martin, who specialized in clam fishing, read about the "undivable wreck" and our of including physiotherapy and regular pain-killing injections, Mrs Stonestreet said, she borcuriosity went on a calm day to the Shaalys Reef.

"Now there is no pain at all. It is fantastic. When I tell other people, they just do not believe They found valuable metal lying there and reached an agreement to salvage the wreck. Over the next seven years they picked at her remains, working only in calm summer spells between tides. As to the common cold Mr Head takes preventive doses of oxygen and remains uncon-taminated. In time, he believes, "We managed to put in 200 hours of actual diving and achieved a world record of sal-yage from a fessel abandoned in open water. It was dan-gerous but fascinating", Mr Martin, a former journalist,

dubious scientific validity, although several research studies have been published pointing to the benefits of negative ions. Much work has also They brought cp the ship's propellers, 29 tons of solid bronze, each blade 10ft long. Four steam condensers yielded 70 tons of brass. The engine bearings contained large quan-tities of white metal.

been done on raising the body's oxygen content, but results have been, according to one Altogether 250 tons of copper, brass and bronze were retrieved with a total value of more than £100,000.

It was hard-won. Mr Crawford received severe internal injuries when he was crushed by some of the recovered scrap. One year the two divers started work too early in the season and their 50ft boat was struck by a violent squall off

Foula.

They had three anchors out, one of nine tons taken from the Oceanic, but were driven ashore and had to jump for their lives on to the rocks. Within minutes their boat was

within minutes their boat was pounded to driftwood.
The story of one of the most stoical salvage operations is told by Simon Martin in The Other Titanic, which will be published on Thursday by David and Charles at £6.50.

Mr Benn never controlled NEC, associates say

By Our Political Editor
Associates of Mr Wedgwood Benn yesterday expressed bafflement over a report in The Sunday Times that he had lost "control" of the left-dominated National Executive Committee of the Labour Party because of the emergence of another left-

wing group.
The report suggested that the new informal grouping was more intent than Mr Benn on maintaining party unity and hinted that Mr Neil Kinnock, NEC member and Labour front-

bench education spokesman was a force behind it. However, Mr Benn's associ-ates said they were flabber-

ates said they were habber-gasted at the suggestion that Mr Benn had ever been in con-trol of the NEC. Some left-wing members of the committee could be counted as Mr Benn's allies on some issues, but they were all strong personalities, they said.

they said.

With a struggle shaping up for the succession to Mr Callaghan as party leader it was obvious that there was going to be some tough jockeying for power. As for Mr Kinnock, one said he had been became for said, he had been known for some time to be edging his way forward.
One difficulty was that the

principal chose to make himself unavailable for comment.

1940 German plane exploded Mr Benn answered my tele-phone call to his home with a request that I should call another number, which turned out to lead to the Commons message service. Mr Kinnock was not available and Mr Eric Heffer another left-wing mem-A bomb disposal team yester-day exploded three 110 lb bombs found in the wreck of a wartime German Dornier sircarft in a country park at West Taphouse, near Liskeard, East

Cornwall.

The aircraft was being dug up by the Devon aircraft research and recovery team.

The aircraft crashed on November 9, 1940, killing the crew, while returning to Germany after a bombing raid on Lipsproed. Heffer, another left-wing mem-ber of the NEC, was said to be on a train at the crucial time.

Mr Kinnock, however, had issued a statement in which, according to the Press Association, he said:
There is no third force on

the executive. There is no div ision over the need for consti-tutional change or the need for a strong socialist programme. The question of Mr Benn and of his influence simply does not

It has never seemed likely that Mr Benn, or Mr Heffer, enjoyed personal majority support in the 29 member NEC, however much they, and the left, have won against the moderates on such crucial matters as the composition of the company of the composition of the composition of the company of the composition of the compo as the composition of the commission of inquiry into the

party.
What was significant in the report was that the left was said to be seeking unity by joining with party moderates for an attack on Mrs Thatcher's Government. That will be news to the moderates, but none the less welcome if it is borne out.

Today

Sun sets : 5.32 pm 6.56 am Moon sets : Moon rises : 3.32 am 12.27 pm Full moon: March 1
Lighting up: 6.2 pm to 6.24 am.
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10.0m. Dover, 6.12 am, 5.4 m;
7.4 pm, 5.3m. Hull, 1.13 am, 6.0m;
1.58 pm, 5.7m. Liverpool, 6.40
am, 7.4m; 7.22 pm, 7.5m.
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A slack area of pressure covers the United Kingdom, with a shallow low moving slowly over Britain.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight: London, SE and central S England: Dull and misty with occasional rain in places, possibly brighter later with scattered showers; wind variable, light: max temp 7" to 8"C (45" to 46"F). East Angilla, E and NE England: Dull and misty in most places, hill and cosst for; wind E to NE, light: max temp 6° to 7°C (43° to 45°F).

Midlandi, central N England: Dull and misty in most places, occasional rain or drizzle, hill

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sum.

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fog; wind N or variable, light; max temp 6°C (43°F). SW England. Wales. Channel Island: Mostly cloudy with occasional rain in places, hill for patches; wind mainly N, light; max temp 7° to 8°C (45° to 46°F).

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max temp 7' to 8'C (45' to 46'F).

Lake District. NE England, Isle
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mist in places, bright intervals;
wind variable. light; max temp
7'C (45'F).

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Glasgow.! Aberdeen, Morav Firth,
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light; max temp 6' to 8'C (43'
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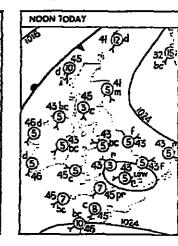
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Argyli, NW Scotland, Northern Treland: Dry and bright in many places but cloudler in more W areas, perhaps with light rain later; wind S. light; max temp 8° to 9°C (46° to 48°F).

Orkney, Shetland: Mainly dry, bright intervals; wind S. moderate; max temp 5°C (41°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Becoming mainly dry and
hrighter after oversight for and
frost, with normal temp: Scotland
will be more cloudy, with occasional rain and will probably
become coider later.
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Wind E to 5, light; sea smooth.
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(E), St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind variable, light; sea smooth.

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London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm. 10°C (50°F): min 6 pm 10 6 am, 5°C (41°F). Humidley, 6 pm, 67 per teen. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.05 in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.4 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,029.2 millibars, rising.

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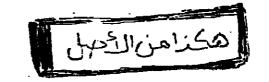
London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 7°C (45°F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 2°C (35°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 90 per cem. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.02 in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, nll. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,024.1 militars, steady.

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London boroughs set up teams to enforce noise control under the pollution Act

Farm welfare group changes sought after RSPCA dispute

By Hugh Clayton
Agriculture Correspondent
Animal welfare activists decided yesterday to campaign for changes in the Government's Farm Animal Welfare Council, after a meeting on Saturday of the Royal Society for the Pre-vention of Cruelty to Animals. Attempts at the meeting to unsear half the RSPCA's governing council failed. Council members were attacked for forbidding two senior staff members of the society to accept an invitation to join FAWC from Mr Peter Walker, Minis-

ter of Agriculture.

Mr Richard Ryder, a former chairman of the society. said yesterday: "It was a sad day. Nobody won and the animals lost." He had been prevented on Saturday from prevented on Saturday from proposing that the society should appeal to Mr Walker to change the constitution of the FAWC.
Mr Ryder wanted Mr Walker to remove voting rights on the FAWC from those members of

it who are associated with practices like factory farming, which the RSPCA opposes. "I think it will be difficult for Mr to climb down, but I think he is a big enough man to do so", Mr Ryder said. "The RSPCA has lost credibility over this and the FAWC has lost credibility.
Almost 1,400 animal-lovers

day for a set-piece battle in the long struggle for control of the society. At stake is an annual income of more than £5m, protected from full tax rates the charitable status of RSPCA. Members showed that they love animals much more than they love each other. Last year the RSPCA council

voted by 11 to 10 to forbid staff to join the FAWC. A motion on Saturday calling for the resigna-tion of the 11 from the council failed to reach the 50 per cent

While ostensibly about the FAWC, the angry five-hour debate was really about fundamental policy. Mr Ronald Butfield, a former chief super-intendent in the animal in-spectorate of the society, said: "Today we have been subjected to the bawls and howls of

Mr Richard Corse, one of the 1, said amid loud cheers: There is no motion to expel factory farmers from the RSPCA, is there?"

RSPCA, is there:

Miss Janet Fookes, Conservative MP for Plymouth, Drake,
and chairman of the society,
was asked on Saturday about the split at the meeting. "would not regard it as causing any lasting damage whatever "
she said.

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Custody deaths 'link with complaints'

MP for Oldham, West, claims a significant and close connexion between the two incidences and states in a letter to Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, that that makes a public inquiry "im-

Mr Meacher believes that such an inquiry ought to con-cern at least a sample of the 245 who so died between 1970 and 1979 in England and Wales. Mr Whitelaw is deferring a decision pending conclusion of the inquest into the death in police custody of Mr James Kelly, in Merseyside.

ing police assault per 10,000 arrests in 1978 with the 1970-79

He finds nine police areas which exceed the national average of 34 assault complaints per 10,000 arrests, and in six of them the number of deaths in custody exceed the 2.7 average The highest ratios, on Mi Meacher's comparison, were in London: the City of London, with 10.5 deaths and 72 com-plaints; and the Metropolitan area, with 8.3 deaths and 42 com-plaints; both are calculated on a rate of 10,000 arrests in 1978.

Mr Meacher, calling on Mr
Whitelaw to avoid "further unreasonable delay" in publishing
the full details of the 245 persons who died, also discloses new information he received

'Party police' on the trail of Saturday night fever By Penny Symon

Every weekend London's

party police" report for
duty, armed with sensitive

duty, armed with sensitive ears, noise meters and a tactful but firm manner. Their task is to try to ensure that Saturday night exuberance does not interfere with neighbours' right to sleep.

The "police" are, in fact, environmental health officers, who have the difficult task of dealing with complaints about noisy parties under the Control of Pollution Act, 1974.

People with a complaint, however, usually telephone the police, who will intervene only if a breach of the peace is being caused, or licensing laws contravened. Otherwise they will advise complainants to get in touch with the local auth-But not every town hall

employs staff to man a week-end emergency telephone-ans wering service, and com-plainants can be left feeling angry and helpless as the din The London Borough of

Hackney has devised a bold scheme to overcome that difficulty. Its environmental health officers, working on a volun-tary rota, visit the borough's four police stations in turn on Seturday nights, so that when the complaints come in they can officers in a patrol car. The Control of Pollution Act

as given local authorities wide powers, stating that where they are satisfied that noise amounting to a nuisance exists, or is likely to occur or recur, they can serve a notice requiring its abatement.

Therefore we can serve a notice before a party is held if we feel that it is likely to cause a nuisance because we have evidence that there have been noisy parties in that particular house before", Mr Christopher White, Hackney's principal environmental health



Mr Glen Partridge, coordinator of Southwark Borough Council's noise patrol, and Miss Antonia Darwall, checking sound levels with meters outside a block of flats last week.

helpful and gives us wide powers, but we do not like to use them too often We are not after the per-

son having a one-off celebra-nion, because if we get a com-plaint and visit the house the party-giver is usually prepared to be cooperative and turn the noise down.", Mr White said. "It is the parties with a commercial aspect that persistently give us trouble." A person will perhaps pay

This part of the Act is the owner of a house for the use of his basement, or take over an empty house, and charge people to get in. Drink is sold, and the noise can continue all night and well into the next day. A great deal of money is made that way each

The local authority's difficulty in those cases is finding the correct person on whom to serve a notice. The Act says that it should be served on the person responsible for the nui-

sance, or, if he cannot be found, the owner or occupier This is easier said than done if the person opening the door denies he is giving the party and does not know who is", Mr White soid.

"Perhaps the noise is turned down while the officer is there, and turned up again the moment he has gone. I have been in a situation where I was backed up against the balcony on the sixth floor with a "We experience an additional delay of three months in the cases to count of those end up as mous. Most of them results and the count of those end up as successful prosecution."

You are always wary when knock on the door you knock on the door. Bringing offenders to court is a long and often complicated matter, as serving the summons is often as fraught with danger as serving the original notice, and officers are often frustrated by delay. Between last May and December 126 complaints were received, 300 visits made and 108 notices served, 43 resulting in requests for legal proceed

Of those, 10 have been suc cessful, two were dismissed by the megistrates, 18 are pend-ing, and in the rest the sumor not served. Fines totalled £220, with £80 costs. The Act allows a fine of up to £200 for a first offence, and £400 for subsequent ones.

Hackney's officers do not take sound-level meters to

measure noise, preferring to rely on their ears.
The London Borough

Southwark has a different sys-tem. Its officers, also working on a voluntary rota drive round on Friday and Saturday nights equipped with meters and telephone the rown hall every hour to get reports of complaints.

Mr A. C. Bazely, Southwark's chief environmental health officer, said: "We prefer to use the meter so that we can back up our findings if challenged in court.

"We also prefer not to go out with the police and we serve our notices on the fol-

unless in an emergency. Then we would ask for police protection, as we have experienced

"We experience an average delay of three mounts in bring-ing the cases to court", Mr Bazely said. "We serve about 120 notices a year, and 10 per cent of those end up as a sum-mons. Most of them result in a

In brief

County Council sues over ship

Isle of Wight County Council is taking legal action against the owners of a ship believed responsible for the canisters of lethal arsenic trichloride washed ashore on the island's beaches. It wants compensation for the operation of clearing the

oeaches.

The council blames the 8,600ton Tunisian vessel, Tozeur,
which sheltered in Tor Bay during a storm last month. Mr Lawrie Campbell, chief scien-tific adviser to the council said: "It appears that a big package or packing case fell overboard".

Oxford invitation to Lord Denning

Lord Denning has accepted Lord Denning has accepted an invitation to sign copies of his book, The Due Process of Law, at the Oxford Union next Saturday, two weeks after Blackwell's bookshop, Oxford, cancelled an appearance by him because of threats of demonstrations.

Humberside and West Sussex rates fixed

West Sussex County Council has approved a new county rate of 98p in the pound, a rise of 14p, or 16.7 per cent. Humberside County Council has fixed a rate of £1.01 in the pound, an increase of 24p, or 31 per cent.

Hunt for girl's killer

About 70 policemen were attempting yesterday to find the killer of Lorraine Dillon, aged 18, a part-time hotel chambermaid, whose body was found in the refuse room of a black of filers need her home in block of flats near her bome in Coatbridge, Strathclyde,

Halt, toads crossing

Signs are to be erected to give warning of toads crossing the road near the Gloucestershire Trust for Nature Conservation reserve at Dowdeswell reservoir where they migrate to breed in the spring.

Bus strike ends

The 280 Ribble bus men at Bootle whose four-day unafficial strike over the dismissal of a conductor had disrupted ser-vices on north Merseyside, decided yesterday to return to work.

Three young children died in a fire at their home at

Three children killed

Drumaness, co Down, Ulster, early yesterday. Their parents, Mr and Mrs Dominic Carvill, and a three-month-old baby escaped. TV viewer at 106 Mrs Caroline Black, a widow,

of Turret Csurt, East Grinstead, Sussex, was 106 yesterday. One

of her main interests is watch ing show jumping, tennis and golf on television. Protest over NF march

By Our Political Editor A tendency for a higher num-ber of deaths in police custody to occur in areas where complaints of alleged police assault were higher than the national average is adduced today in support of a renewed call to the Home Secretary for a public inquiry into such deaths. Mr Michael Meacher, Labour

reaching his complaintdeath connexion. Mr Meacher has correlated complaints alleg-

arrests, which, he argues, is not statistically improper.

from the Attorney General in a parliamentary written reply. It is that only 26 complaints were received after the 245 deaths, but that 18 of them alleged assault causing death. The Director of Public Prosecutions has not brought charges in any

Report on fenced-in lorry justified, Press Council says Brian Duffy had reported that

A light-hearted newspaper report that council workmen fenced-in their lossy was justified by information the reporter was given, the Press Council ruled yesterday.

Mrs Gwyneth Hamilton, of Upland Road, Leeds, that after publishing a report containing untrue allegations reflecting on the husband's comparance and her husband's competence and work the Sunday Express failed to correct them when informed of their falsity.

two Leeds City Council labourers worked all week erecting a fence by a flower bed outside an old people's home. They forgot to leave a gap for their lorry and later 15ft of fence had to be ripped out to release it. out to release it. Mrs Hamilton's complaints

included the fact that her hus-band was a joiner, not a labourer, and that he and his colleague parked a caravan, not a lorry, in the enclosure.

Hunt saboteur's jaw broken in attack by gang'

hospital last night with a broken jaw after being attacked in the New Forest Mr Patrick O'Neill, aged 45, of Westley Close, Winchester, was said to be "quite comfortable" in Southampton General Hospital after an operation.

forest draw away from the hunt when a car pulled up and a going of men got out", his wife, who is a magistrate, said. She did not see the incident.

New Forest Foxhounds' hunt on

Sir Newton Rycroft, master of the hunt, said: "The incident was in no way connected with thehunt, which at the time was

Nuclear power warning by consumers' council By Robin Young

Consumer Affairs Correspondent

The Electricity Consumers Council, in its second annual report, criticizes the Electricity Council's medium-term velopment plan for the electricity supply industry.

It fears that the Electricity Council's "firm pro-nuclear Council's "firm pro-nuclear position" may mean that there will be a rush to order a series of new power stations ahead of The consumers' council, set

up by the Labour government Mr O'Neill is a member of in 1977 and financed by the the Southempton Hunt Saboteurs' Association. About 15 that nuclear power may have portant role to play when oil and gas supplies run out, but the enormous capacity Britain has for producing elec-tricity from coal should not be forgotten.

Alternative sources

conservation policy could also contribute and too heavy an emphasis on nuclear power would not seem in consumers short- or long-term interests." Commenting on the dustry's performance,

report says there has been an encouraging increase in the efficiency of generating thermonuclear power, but the in-creasing frequency with which the Magnox nuclear power stations are out of service is a Of even greater concern is

the continuing series of delays in large power station con-struction. "The consumer has had to foot the bill for poor on site for years, but delays have only lengthened."

Consumers and Electricity, annual report 1979 (Electricity Consumers' Council, 119 Mary-lebone Road, London, NW1

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Hundreds of demonstrators marched through Camberwell, south London, yesterday, calling for a proposed National Front march next Sunday to be banned. They were escorted by about 300 police officers.

BUSINESS PERSPECTIVES in association with THE TIMES present a one day conference:

CHINA 1980 -THE WAY AHEAD FOR TRADE AFTER THE'REASSESSMEI

Chairman:

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Speakers will include:

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Stanley Lubman, a leading U.S. lawyer specialising in Chinese law and foreign trade

Lord Nelson of Stafford, Chairman, GEC Ltd. and President, Sino-British Trade Council Cecil Parkinson, MP, Minister for Trade

This conference will provide those in business, industry and banking with an up to date assessment of the new developments which will affect trade with China in the foreseeable future. The conference will assess, China's current and future foreign trade practices and policies, the current leadership and commitment to economic modernisation, the growing autonomy of the regions, current and likely future legislation relating to licensing, joint ventures, countertrade and taxation, developments in finance and banking etc.

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Coroner's remarks on professor criticized

of acute public concern should not be left vulnerable to the heavy pressure of public, press, television and radio inquiries as well, the Press Council em-

The council set up an inquiry into issues raised by the Birmingham city coroner at an inquest in September, 1978, on Professor Henry Bedson, head of the medical microbiology department at Birmingham University, who killed himself after an outbreak of smallpox.

The coroner, Dr. Richard Whitrington, said the professor was harried by ceaseless inquiries, chiefly by the press, which must have contributed to his state of mental exhausting.

Today's Press Council state-ment says that the inquiry failed to establish that any journalist or organisation acted improperly or inconsiderately towards Professor Bedson or his family. The coroner's remark reflecting adversely on the press were ill-considered. Where circumstances focused

where circumstances tocused severe pressure on one person, the council declares, his organ-ization should make firm arrangements to reduce the pressure on him. It should, for example, provide other spokes-men to take over inquiries and men to take over inquiries and possibly hold press conferences. At the same time news organizations, while auxious to inform the public and maintain their freedom to make individual inquiries, should recognize the culmulative effect their activity could have on one individual and cooperate in channelling arrangements, if channelling arrangements, if necessary setting those up them-

Mrs Janet Parker, a Birming-ham University photographer working above the medical microbiology laboratories, con-tracted smallpox in September, 1978. The department was closed and Professor Bedson was placed under house quaranties. The under house quarantine. Two days later he cut his throat. Recording a verdict that Pro-fessor Bedson killed himself, the

the extreme difficulty of people who came before the public in dramatic circumstances without any mechanism to cope with the The repeated inquiries to the

factor in the professor's state of mental exhaustion. Somebody should devise a mechanism to protect and help families in that The Press Council statement

in the university where Professor Bedson's important research into smallpox was taking place was a motter of important national and international public interest. Newspapers, television and radio organisations were rightly anxious to obtain as much information as they could about the work of the department, the precautions taken there and the circumstances of the future. In its background to the future. In its background to the inquiry by the Press Council, including consideration of the coroner's notes of cyldence given at the inquest on Professor Bedson, has falled to establish any example of an individual journalist or organization acting improperly or inconsiderately towards Professor Bedson or members of his family.

In the light of this, the Press Council, believe the coroner's remarks covered only newspapers and where necessary initiate them. The council hopes that university and other authorities will make such arrangements by, say, the routing of telephone calls and the future.

In its background to the inquiry the council recalls that on the day of the inquest Birmingham branch of the National Union of Journalists rejected the coroner's suggestion that Professor Bedson was harried by the media.

Three days later Mrs Parker died and the Birmingham Evening Mail asked editorially whether the coroner's remarks covered only newspapers.

family.

In the light of this, the Press Council believes the remarks of the coroner were ill-considered in so far as they reflected adversely on the coodouct of individual journalists and organizations.

To leave the matter there, however, would be to underestimate the cumulative effect which repeated telephone inquiries made to a household not geared to receive them, was likely to have on Professor Bedson. It must have caused great strain.

fessor Bedson. It must have caused great strain.
Part of the tragedy of this case is that the professor was to a degree a victim of his own conscientiousness. The matter was of accure public impurtance; it was inescapable that it would provoke close and repeated inquiries.
Professor Bedson was clearly enclose that replies to inquiries, particularly those raising technical matters, should be accurate, and perhaps unwively but for the best of motives he decided to take catis himself.
In the council's view there is some-

In the council's view there is some-thing wrong with a system when someone as vulnerable as Professor thing wrong, with a system when someone as vulnerable as Professor Bodson is subjected to such heavy pressure from public, press, television, general radio and local radio inquiries on top of the strain and concern, and extra work, which the smallpox infection must have caused him. The likelihood is that no one, including the newspapers and news

cluding the newspaper and news organizations, the university and the health authorities, appreciated the volume of pressure there would

be.
With hindsight, it would have been better if, noewithstanding Professor Bedson's willingness to cope, the university or local bealth authorities had included on taking the answering of press and public inquisies away from the Bedson household and round them to the university or health authorities' information departments.

Newspanetry and press organiza-

formation departments.

Newspapers and news organizations, while properly anxious to perform their function of finding out and informing the public, and understandably concerned to maintain their freedom to make individual inquiries, should recognize the cumulative effect their activity may have on an individual.

Where their inquiries may focus such severe messure at this on an

whether the corener's remarks covered only newspapers and why broadcasters were not men-tioned. The editor, Mr D. H. Hopkins, asked for an inquiry by the Press Council, which had already begun its own. Mr Arthur Osman, Midlands Correspondent of The Times, and four other parious? and four other national news-paper representatives also asked the council to investigate. They rejected the coroner's erticism as subjective, un-founded and a calculated smear.

founded and a calculated smear. He had not mentioned broad-casters or tested witnesses' allegations of an avalanche of telephone calls and threats.

In a personal statement Mr Osman said that during seven days between the smallpox notification and the professor's suicide he telephoned the Bedson house only twice.

Mr David Jack, Daily Express district reporter, said he rang the house only once; there was no answer. Mr Paul Connew, of the Daily Mirror, said he had two polite conversations in the seven days, one with Professor Bedson, one with Professor

two polite conversations in the seven days, one with Professor Bedson, one with his wife.

Birmingham Branch of the NUJ called for investigations by the Press Council, the Lord Chancellor, and the NUJ National Executive.

When Mr Osman and his colleagues complained to the Lord Chancellor about aspects of the inquest, his private secretary

Chancellor about aspects of the inquest, his private secretary replied that coroners were independent of ministers except that the Lord Chancellor could remove them. In the present case the Lord Chancellor found no grounds for exercising his statutory powers.

Invited to help the Press Council, the coroner said the inquest evidence gave him ample cause for his remarks and he had said Professor Bedson's action was partly caused by mental exhaustion precipitated by constant press inquiries, he wished to protect others in future from the effect others in future from the effect

of accumulated inquiries

Dr G. R B. Skinner, senior lecturer in Birmingham University's microbiology department, who said he telephoned Professor Bedson once, finding him troubled and tired but not com-plaining about answering

inquiries.

The department was "barraged" by calls from the media and the concerned, sometimes inquisitive, public. Professor Bedson's suicide note mention-ing peace might refer to the avalanche of inquiries. Dr Skinner later told the Press Council that the press

repeatedly telephoned the Bed-

son home and his own. In general they implied that if they were not given information only the worst could be interpreted. Mrs Ann Bedson's evidence to the inquest was that during her husband's quarantine there ner nusoano's quarantne there were continuous telephone calls from eight in the morning until late at night, mostly from the press. Many of the callers had already been told of another number to telephone, but no one told her she could have her calls interented.

one told her she could have her calls intercepted.

Mrs Bedson said that when she found her husband wounded she wanted to call an ambulance, but "somebody from the press or media" telephoned. She asked them three times to clear the line before she could dial 999.

She thought her husband's

She thought her husband's reference in a note to some peace for her and the children referred to the constant hounding they had been having by the press rather than the public. A family friend, Dr Kevin McCarthy, Professor of Medical Microbiology at Liverpool University, said that when he visited the house the day before

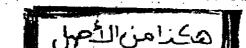
versity, said that when he visited the house the day before the professor's injury there were "not all that many" calls. Professor Bedson, who was exhausted, told him the telephone never stopped, but explained that he wanted to be in touch with the university.

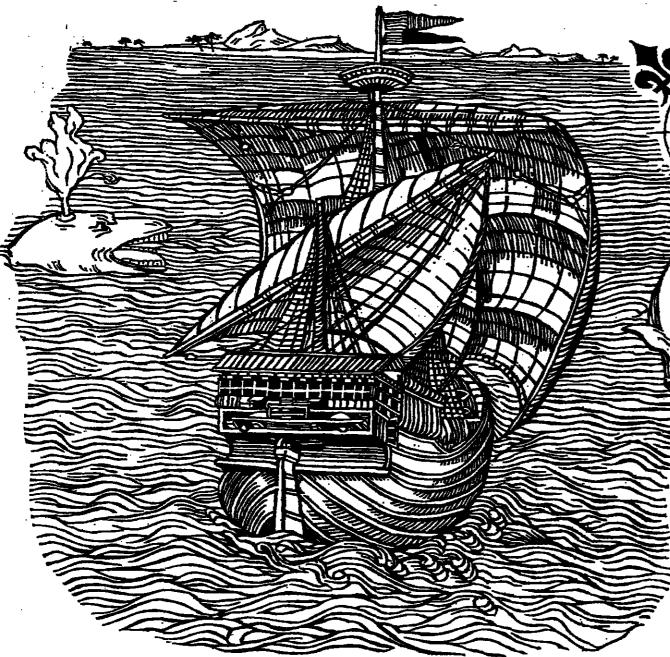
When the Press Council asked the coroner to which journalists or sections of the media his comments referred, he said that evidence at the inquest mentioned only the press, but there must have been broadcasting inquiries.

Mr Paul Castle, West Midlands Regional Health Authority public relations officer, and his staff told the Press Council that the coroner was unfair to the press. They invited Professor Bedson to refer calls to them. He was grateful but said he would answer technical questions.

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In the sixteenth century the Spanish landed in the Philippines.

On April 8th the first of our new scheduled flights to the Philippines will land in Manila.

A journey of nearly 8,000 miles that will take our comfortable, wide-bodied TriStar approximately 16½ hours.

It's a far cry from 1521 when Magellan, during the first round the world voyage, decided to drop in and visit the locals. Paradise Lost.

Magellan himself didn't last long in the Philippines.

The unfortunate fellow was killed while helping

one Filipino group fight another.

But his discovery of the islands led to Spain moving in and setting up shop on a more permanent basis.

The Spaniards loved the place.

Especially the gold and silver they had seen the tribesmen wearing as jewellery.

Talk about gold fever.

They stayed on in the islands for the next 300 years. Right up until 1898 when they were finally given the heave-ho.

Uncle Samin Paradise.

Spain's hasty exit was the result of a group of Filipinos who by now were tired of the Spanish ruling their roost.

They fought alongside the Americans in the Spanish-American war of 1898, to rid themselves of their unwanted guests.

But the delight of the Filipinos at saying goodbye to the Spaniards soon dissolved when they realized the Americans had taken a fancy to the islands.

And for the next few decades they had to share them with Uncle Sam.

To be fair though, the U.S. did help the Philippines develop into a modern nation.

They not only brought roads, railroads, schools and doctors to the islands. They also gave the people ideas about democracy.

Then, in 1941, right out of the blue, the Japanese called by.

Paradise Regained.

The men of Japan outstayed their welcome for 3 years. Until they were finally persuaded to leave by the Americans.

At last, in 1946, the U.S. gave the Filipinos the one thing they hadn't enjoyed for many a year.

Independence.

Looking at the Philippines today it's no wonder that so many people wanted the place for themselves.

This dazzling chain of 7,107 islands stretches for over 1,000 miles in tropical seas.

And is jampacked full of wonders

Old Castilian towns, stunning aquamarine life and a fantastic array of exotic fruits and vegetation

Not to mention countless sun-drenched beaches. (It's enough to give you a sun tan just thinking about it.)

Known as the Last Great Bargain of the Orient'the Philippines is also a delight for people who are weary of V.A.T.and inflation.

Manila, especially, is a treasure-trove of shops selling goods at give-away prices.

All of which is tempting in the extreme.

If you've never been to the Philippines we'd like to show it to you in all its splendour.

If you've been and are going back, be it on business or pleasure, why not be our guests.

After all, if history is anything to go by, we're going to be in the islands for a long time to come.

Nowit's our turn.



Nine conclude preferential trade accord with Yugoslavia to strengthen its non-aligned status

Brussels, Feb 24

After more than two years of negotiations, the EEC and Yugoslavia put their relations on a new footing over the weeken'd by concluding a preferential trading agreement designed to improve. Yugoslavia's economic health and to reinforce its ability to defend its non-alinged status against possible Soviet interference.

The agreement is to be initialled tomorrow by Herr Wilhelm Haferkamp, the EEC Com-missioner for External Affairs, who represented the Nine at the

who represented the Nine at the negotiations, and Mr Stojan Andov, the Yugoslav Minister of Foreign Trade.

The trade and financial provisions of the agreement will run for five years from the date of its entry into force, which may not be for several months because of the need to com-

may not be for several months because of the need to complete ratification and signature procedures in Yugoslavia and EBC member states.

To underline the political importance the EEC attaches to the agreement, Mr Roy Jenkins, the President of the European Commission, will visit Belgrade on Thursday for talks with Yugoslav leaders.

Centrists

independent

gress was larger and somewhat livelier than had been expected.

M Lecanuet made it clear that

he did not see the role of the

One motion was passed in favour of a French boycott of

the Moscow Olympics and M. Pierre Bernard-Reymond, junior Foreign Minister, was treated to some catcalls when he rose to

He appeased the delegates.

however, when he said that France was not prepared to maintain détente at whatever

cost. "The Soviet Union must show its own attachment to

its troops from Afghanistan," he

France's reaction to the inter-

national situation they must

continue to support President

Giscard d'Estaing and hope that he would stand for the

that he would stand for the presidency again next year. In his view the French did not want to vote for a candidate who stood for a party but for nne who stood for France. M Lecanuet was defeated by General de Gaulle in the 1965

election.
At the same time M Leca-

At the same time M Lecanuet defended the continuing
existence of the CDS rather
than seeing it merged within
the UDF. France was not a
country which wanted big political groups, he said, because
these tended to fragment.

This led him to the view
that his party was the natural

that his party was the natural one for disaffected Socialists to join, standing as it did to the left of centre of the govern-ment parties. In the months to

come it seems clear that the CDS will be seeking to pick up

Iraq postpones

Dutch minister

From Our Correspondent Amsterdam, Feb 24

in The Hague between the United States, Israel and Egypt

on Palestinian autonomy.

According to Mr van der Klaauw, Iraq mistakenly believed that the talks were being held "under the wings of the

Dutch Government". He had told the Iraqi Ambassador that the Netherlands had done no

more than extend traditional hospitality when the United States asked if the talks could be held in The Hague. Apart

from security arrangements, the Netherlands would not be

Münster, Feb 24.—Forty-five children were given urgent medical treatment in this north

German city after playing with

a deadly herbicide stolen from a private garden shed.

Dangerous play

visit by

the Government.

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line

The turning point in the negotiations came last month, when EEC foreign ministers took a political decision to break the log-jam that had been Holding up agreement with the Yugo-slavs and instructed their representatives in Rrussels to draw the seventatives are seventatives. sentatives in Brussels to draw up a new and more generous negotiating mandate for the European Commission.

The foreign ministers' haste was explained by a general desire to improve relations with strategically-located countries in the aftermath of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan—Turkey has also benefited from this concern—and by worry over President Tito's illness and fear that his death could lead to a period of instability in Yugo-

slavia.

It is generally accepted in the EEC that any threat to Yugoslavia after President Tito goes is much less likely to come from direct Soviet military intervention than from Russian exploitation of Yugoslav intervention expenses and the property of the property of

for Elysée election From Ian Murray
Paris, Feb 24
M Jean-Marie Le Pen, the leader of the French National Front, hired the Salon de Torée in the Bois de Boulogne to launch his election campaign for the French presidency.
The election is due in 15 months' time and M Le Pen is somewhat late into the field. About 10 others have already announced their intention to

Candidates

multiply

ingly protectionist mood in the European Community.

This has produced a big trade deficit with the West, and particularly with the EEC, which supplies Yugoslavia not only with capital goods and modern technology, but also with some of the raw materials needed by its burgeoning industries. It is estimated that last year Yugoslavia had a trade deficit with the Community of close to the Community of close to £1,500m.

The new agreement will grant Yugoslav industrial exports dury-free entry to the EEC with the exception of a list of just under 30 " sensitive " products, which will remain subject to Quantitative limits.
Improved access will also be granted to Yugoslav wine, tobacco and beef.

In addition, the Nine will from direct of the from Ross.

exploitation of Yugoslav internal tensions exacerbated by loans from the European conomic weakness.

Yugoslavia depends heavily ment Bank to finance development projects. Yugoslav workers and their families in the teeth full social security benefits.

Commission in tussle over sales to Russia

Brussels, Feb 24
An intriguing constitutional tussle, in which the European Commission is being slowly squeezed between the Council From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Feb 24 of Ministers and the European Parliament, is developing over "The hour of the Centre has come", according to M Jean Lecanuet, who was duly reelected president of the Centre des Démocrates Sociaux (CDS) at their third national congress in Strasbourg over the weekend.

With 2,500 delegaes, the conthe issue of exporting surplus EEC butter to Russia.

The unenviable dilemma of Mr Roy Jenkins, the Commission's president, is that he has been given diametrically op-posed instructions on what to do about these butter sales by the other two institutions, each of which expects the Commission to do its bidding to the

CDS as a docile member of the Union pour la Démocratie Française, a coalition which pro-Meeting in the aftermath of the Soviet invasion of Afghan-istan last month, EEC foreign ministers agreed that, while it vides the most loyal support for Indeed the conference as a would be wrong to increase food whole took a critical view of exports to the Soviet Union to expires to the Soviet Union to fill any gaps in Russian supplies caused by American sanctions, "traditional trade flows" should none the less be mainthe Government's performance internationally and deplored the lack of firmness shown by France towards the Soviet inter-vention in Afghanistan.

That remains the policy of member states. At its last session earlier this month, however, the European Parliament voted in favour of a resolution calling for a total ban on sub-sidized food exports to the Soviet Union, a position totally irreconcilable with that taken by national governments.

The tension inherent in this Situation came to the surface last week when the Commission announced arrangements for resuming sales of surplus butter to the Soviet Union from the middle of next month under a new tendering system. This will enable Brussels to control the price and volume of exports more closely than usual.

This announcement sent Mr James Scott-Hopkins, the leader of the Parliament's European Democrats, into a frenzy of in-dignation. The Commission, he said, had shown total insensitivity to public opinion through-out the EEC. It was intolerable mme nuguette souchardeau, of the extreme left Parti Socialiste Unifié, for example, says it is simply a system by which the political class which has "arrived" has given itself the right to choose the "new arrivals". even to consider resuming but-ter sales to the invaders of

Many MEPs accept that the Many MEPs accept that the Commission is doing what it can about butter exports within the limits set by the Council of Ministers. Others agree with the French and Irish governments that the Commission has exceeded its powers by controlling these exports too strictly.

Under the new tender system.

Under the new tender system EEC exporters can make offers for butter in the Community's surplus stockpiles. The Commission will only sell above a minimum price, though this will be well below the EEC's internal

show its own attachment to detente, notably in withdrawing its-troops from Afghanistan," he Softer Danish line on EEC sales of NZ butter

From Our Correspondent Copenhagen, Feb 24 The Danish butter industry

said.

The European proposal of neutralizing Afghanistan, he said, left the door open to a solution even if it was "less exciting for the soul and less reassuring for public opinion than a firmer position".

M Lecanuet said that despite France's reaction to the interaccepts the continued presence of New Zealand butter on the British and other EEC markets but is critical of what it sees as a European Commission onslaught against Community butter producers.
Mr Poul Dalsager, the Danish

Minister of Agriculture, said today that although Denmark considered New Zealand as " a democratic country and a good friend" and did not want to see its butter gradually phased-out of the European market as originally planned, it did crease problems for the Danes.

does present us with great difficulties", he added. The softer Danish line on New Zealand butter was also corroborated by Mr Jens Majgaard, chairman of Butterdane, the Danish company responsible for bringing Danish butter to Britain and exporter of 96 per cent of all Danish butter.

With EEC inervention stocks running at 23,000 tons—the equivalent of two months butter supply for Europe—Butterdane crinicizes the EEC's see its butter gradually phasedout of the European market as a permanent anual fixed quota originally planned, it did crease of 90,000 tons (down from problems for the Danes.

"Denmark is prepared to live with the situation, although it unfair to European producers."

Afghanistan.

Youths set fire to Aeroflot office in Paris

Frenchmen and true to support him, including elected represen-tatives from 10 departments.

Anyone standing next year, however, will have to find 500

people prepared to give their written support, including elec-

ted representatives from 30 departments or overseas terri-

tories. These people will also have to be prepared to allow their names to be published in

town halls everywhere when the list of accepted candidates

is posted.
This rule makes it extremely

difficult for minority groups and extroverts to enter the lists

and already there is much voci-

ferous complaining going on Mme Huguette Bouchardeau, of

What is at stake in all this is not really the presidency. Even M Jean-Claude Delarue,

who wants to stand as an Ecologist candidate, does not

logist candidate, does not believe that the strong environ-mental lobby can number much

more than 5 per cent of the

What is at stake is the right to two hours of television time,

which the law provides for each

candidate. This once-in-seven-year chance for pressure groups

view on the small screen is too

electorate.

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Feb 24
About 30 youths broke into
the offices of Aeroflot, the
Soviet airline, in the Champs
Elysée just after midday today
and damaged the interior before
starting a fire with several petrol bombs.

Airline staff later protested

that only one policeman without a radio was on guard at the office at the time, in spite of a request the previous day for

The Brandt Commission's report

Monetary reforms are needed countries undertaking

Commission report By Roger Berthoud

the votes of those Socialists who may have become dis-illusioned by the continuing squabbles within their party. guiding international monetary and economic relations (known as the Bretton Woods system) has imposed severe strains, particularly on developing countries and small industrialized countries, the Brandt Commission says in its report. These countries are buffeted by the unpredictable ups and downs of the main currencies, and have faced new problems

Amsterday, Feb. 27

Iraq yesterday postponed indefinitely a visit by Mr Christoph van der Klaauw, the Dutch Foreign Minister, only hours before he was due to leave for Baghdad.

The Minister was told by Mr in the management of their exchange rates, foreign re-serves and debt. leave for Baghdad.

The Minister was told by Mr
Tariq Abul Khail, the Iraqi
Ambassador, that Baghdad
wanted clarification of the
Dutch Government's role in the
talks to be held later this week

serves and debt.

The Bretton Woods system was based on the situation in 1944. A new monetary order is now needed which takes into account changes since then, no light task since different monetary regimes will benefit nations in different degrees.

The commission believes reform must concentrate on the exchange rate regime; the reserve system (i.e., the international means of payment, or liquidity); and the mechanism for adjustments by surplus and deficit countries.

The commission's report says that the "floating" of main currencies makes developing countries uncertain about their real earnings from exports and the real costs of imports. But greater stability can only be achieved if the holders of reserves in national currencies both secure and accessible. Reserves come in three must provide incentives and forms: gold, foreign exchange, and so-called special drawing Countries in current account rights. For historical reasons

The sixth article on the Brandt held much gold, and so have tit

Commission report not profited from recent increases in its value. This, the Brandt Commission believes, The breakdown of the rules been a most inequitable ele-miding international monetary ment in expanding world liquidity.
Reserves held by national

monetary authorities in dollars expanded as much in the "dollar flood" of 1970-71 as in the previous 20 years. But their distribution has been highly con-centrated, as has been the huge growth in commercial bank financing of balance of pay-ments requirements and of reserve creation. The poorest countries have been insuffici-

ently creditworthy.

The report suggests that the role national reserve currencies and of gold should be reduced, and that of drawing rights enhanced. They represent a line of perpetual credit to the International Monetary Fund on which members can draw under certain conditions. draw, under certain conditions, to obtain the foreign currencies they need to settle their payments deficits. Such a system would permit a broader and more equitable sharing of the benefits and costs that accompany a reserve currency. Drawing rights should be distributed more equitably than at present.
The commission believes that funds from commercial banks funds from commercial banks are not readily accessible to poorer developing countries, that the banks terms exacer-

bate the problem of servicing and refinancing debt, and that the future availability of such financing is in doubt. A reformed monetary system surplus should be encouraged developing countries have not to make long-term loans to defi-

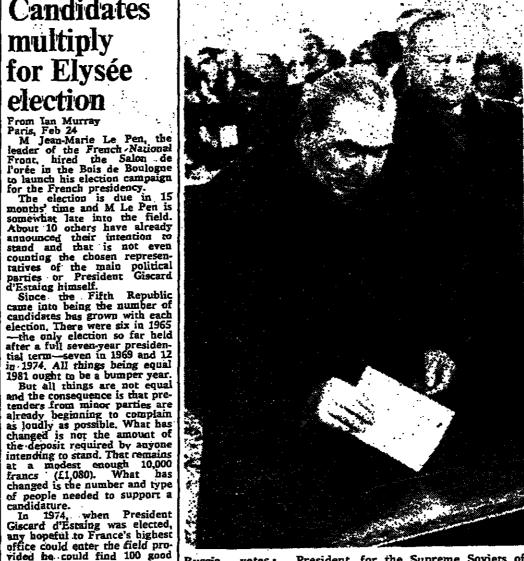
needed adjustment.

The report criticizes the conditions imposed on borrowing states by the lynchpin of the system, the IMF. The developing countries, and even Italy and Britain, feel these go beyond the IMF's legitimate interest of getting its money back. The drastic measures demanded have often been based on a monetarist approach to balance of payments analybased on a monetarist approach to balance of payments analysis, and on the assumption that borrowers must be careless or incompetent, and in need of disinterested guidance. More time for adjustment is needed, and income distribution, employment and social factors should be taken into account. Herr Brandt and his if colleagues believe the developing countries do not have an adequate say in the decision-making and management of the international financial and monetary institutions. They are also concerned by the growing indebtedness of middle-income developing countries; and by

developing countries; and by the difficulties of a further recycling of financial surpluses through the commercial banks. given the extent of their existing loans.

They suggest various ways of achieving a huge transfer of funds, including international taxation, and doubling the World Bank's available capitalization. While critical of the proliferation of United Various agence they Nations agencies, they advocate the creation of a world development fund to plug gaps in current aid financing and to provide the basis for a more

equal pertnership.
The report, North-South:
A programme for survival, is
published by Pan Books, £1.95. (Concluded.)



a Moscow polling station in for the local soviets. preme Soviets elections. He was standing in the Communist-led single list of candidates for the Supreme Soviet of the Russian Federation. Young was also taking place ing to his bushy eyebrows.

Russia votes: President for the Supreme Soviets of Brezhnev casting his vote at the other 14 republics and yesterday's republican Su-preme Soviets elections He

Mr Bush is **Envoys** in the favourite

Continued from page 1 George", Mr Dole told him. They spent the next half hour making rude comments about Mr Bush to the press.

The debate between Mr Bush and Mr Reagan got under way, with each man in turn answering questions from a panel of journalists and from the floor and commenting on each other's answers. Mr Reagan gave his most impressive performance so far in the campaign. He was angry, bellicose and wide awake. Mr Bush was less brilliant, but he, too, reacted vehemently when attacked about alleged irregularities in his campaign for the Senate in Texas in 1970. The Manchester Union Leader. which supports Mr Reagan, has been claiming that Mr Bush did not report secret contributions

not report secret contributions made to him by the Nixon White House.

"My record in public life has been one of total honour and integrity", he said with passion.

The latest opinion poll, published today by the Boston Globe, shows Mr Bush and Mr Reagon running neck and neck (35 to 34 per cent), with Senator Baker getting 12 per cent and Mr Anderson 8 per cent. cent.

lt appears that they have both picked up votes from Mr Bush, while Mr Reagan's support was steady. The primary is on Tuesday. It will be the first time this year that the electorate will vote directly for the candidates.

the candidates
No one takes the primary in Puerto Rico seriously (Mr Bush won by a large majority). In Iowa, on January 21, voters turned out in such large numbers in party caucuses that the cynt had many of the characteristics of a proper primary.

Mr Bush won in lows, by a comfortable margin, which made him the favourite to win the Republican nomination.
There are similar caucuses in
Minnesona on Tuesday. The
Republicans will hold a straw
poll, to see which candidate is

the most popular.
For the Democrats the
Boston Globe poll showed
President Carter far ahead of
Senator Kennedy in New Hampshire, 55 per cent to 30 per cent. Mr Jerry Brown, the Governor of California, is attri-

Governor of California, is attri-buted 8 per cent.

If the results of the vote correspond to the poll, Mr Kennedy may have to abendon his campaign. He could survive a defeat if he put up a decent showing, as he did in the Malne caucuses, where Mr Carter beat him by three points. A defeat of Iowan proportions (he lost by almost two to one there) iost by almost two to one there)

chance encounter From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, Feb 24.

Mr Saad Ed-Din Mortada. Egypt's Ambassador to Israel, and Mr Eliahn Ben Elissar, Israel's Ambassador to Egypt, crossed paths today on their way to make history when they present their letters of credence in Jerusalem and Cairo. Their encounter on the tar-

mac of Ben-Gurion international airport this afternoon had been unscheduled, and resulted from the Egyptian aircraft arriving several hours late, just as the Israeli party was boarding an El Al airliner for Cairo. In separate airport

both envoys expressed the hope that Israel's other Arab neighbours would join the peace process. The Egyptian Ambassador noted that the problem of the Palestinian people was at the heart of the Middle East

dispute.

He told reporters that he did not plan to initiate meetings with Palestinian Arabs in the Israeli-occupied areas, but that he would be available to anyone wishing to meet him. The acknowledged Palestinian leaders have opposed the autonomy plan Egypt and Israel have been trying to work out.

Mr Nkomo accuses **Selous Scouts**

Gwelo, Feb 24
Mr Joshua Nkomo, leader of
the Patriotic Front (PF), today
accused the Selous Scouts of
responsibility for a bomb that accised the second bomb that destroyed a newspaper office here hours before he was due to address the last big raily of his election campaign.

Two people were killed when the bomb went off in the offices of the Roman Catholic newspaper Moto. Police said the remains of their bodies showed that one was white and the other black.

Fether Albert Plangger, the paper's Swiss-born editor, said

Father Albert Plangger, the paper's Swiss-born editor, said the explosion occurred at 2.50 this morning. It destroyed the press on which Moto is printed and caused serious damage to the building housing the Mambo Press, which produces Catholic publications.

Father Plangger said it was clear that the bomb was meant to stop production of the paper which gives editorial support to Zanu (PF) and the Patriotic Front. ratriout Front.
Last month Moto was
revived after being banned for
several years. This week a
forged edition of the paper Patriotic Front.

was circulated in Salisbury tion.
which contained a derogatory When asked if he favoured a article about Mr Robert revival of the former Patriotic Mugabe, leader of Zanu (PF).

It was the third violent inci
The replied that it was "for Mr dent to occur in the region during the past week. Last weekend a bomb destroyed the offices of Zanu (PF) in Gwelo. Two days later a Swiss Catholic priest was killed by armed men at the Berejena mission south of here.

Despite the bomb, Mr
Nkomo seemed relaxed and

confident when he addressed a crowd of 20,000 at a football stadium.

audience when Mr Nicomo, speaking in English, deckred that the independent republic of Zimbabwe, which would soon be created, would be "a nation of people—not of blacks and whites".

To further applause, Mr Nkomo urged whites not to leave after independence, "We say: "Stay here, we want you," he declared, adding that the war had been fought against an evil system, not against the whites.

Mr Nkomo's decision to hold his final rally in Gwelo was Mr Nkomo's decision to hold his final rally in Gwelo was part of a carefully planned strategy by the Patriotic Front to win the maximum number of votes in the Midlands procince, which straddles the line dividing the country's Ndebele minority from the Shona majority. Mr Nkomo is himself standing as a candidate in the Midlands and his party hopes to capture at least half of the 12 seats contested in the province.

At a press conference ear-lier. Mr Nkomo carefully avoided questions about pos-sible future coalitions after the election. He said his party was confident of winning the elec-

Mugabe to decide—he was the one who left the Patriotic Front in the first place".

He did not think a whitebacked coup was likely before independence and, if anybody

machenueuce and, if anybody made such an attempt after independence, "we shall look after ourselves". Quoting from an African proverb, he added: confident when he addressed a "If you put your finger in a rowd of 20,000 at a football sheep's mouth and think you tadium.

There were cheers from his bitten hard."

Muzorewa rally ends with plea for unity

Salisbury, Feb 24
Bisboo Abel Muzorewa today

Bishon Abel Muzorewa today made an emotional appeal to the Africans of Southern Rhodesia to forget the tast and devote themselves to reconciliation at his last big weekend rally of the election campaign.

Between 50,000 and 75,000 people were present at the Between 50,000 and 75,000 people were present at the Zimbahwe Grounds, a complex of six football pitches in the Highfields township in Salisbury, hired by the bishop's UANC party for four days as the climax of its campaign.

Bishop Muzorewa had hoped to see a total of one million people on the sike over the

people on the site over the four days but even the more cautious hopes of a 200-000 crowd today, were badly disappointed. This was despite a massive national operation to bring voters to Salisbury from others parts of the country in nine trains and 500 buses. British election supervisors reported that in some places police were herding people into

the buses.

The bishop, who became
Prime Minister after the "internal settlement" election in
April last year, looked forward to peace, unity, reconciliation and reconstruction under a UANC government, and he forecast an economic boom if

he won.

If the UANC did not win, he said the two guerrilla armies—Zanla led by Mr Robert Mugabe and Zipra led by Mr Joshua Nkomo-would fight it out for a victory by force of arms. His mone was rather more

conciliatory than in past speeches. In just three short days we, the people of Zim-babwe, will determine our own future with authentic freedom and independence, which has been denied to the children of this land since 1896.

"peace, unity, reconstruction, rehabilitation and prosperity are inevitable".

dangers of electing a Marxist Covernment which would turn the country into a one-party state. He added: "We are diametacally opposed in every sense to violence as a means of reaching an objective, no matter what this may be— unless there is no other alterna-

£4.000 each, at the raffly. The discount earlier judges ruled that the raffle Gu to have resamwas a breach of the electoral

also a breach of the Act, since it might corrupt voters, they refused to issue an injunction against that, saving it was too late and suffering would be

Beirut bomb kills daughter of Phalangist commander

Beirut, Feb 24.-Lebanon's Palangists today mourned the victims of an attempt to assas-sinate Mr Bashir Gemayel, their smate Mr Bassur Gemayer, their military leader. Mr Gemayer missed the attack, made with a remote-controlled bomb, but it killed eight people, including his daughter.

An estimated 165lbs of high applications in a parked waking

explosive in a parked vehicle were detonated as Mr Gemawere detonated as Mr Gemayel's car passed on a busy road in the mainly Christian castern part of Beirut yesterday.

Mr Gemayel was not in the car. But his only child, Maya, aged 18 months, her babysitter, a bodybuard and the driver were killed. Two people in a car travelling behind were also killed and two of about 20 people who were wounded died later in hospital.

The explosion was the third attempt in eight months on the life of a member of the Gemayel family, one of Lebanon's most powerful. It again dashed hopes for reconciliation in Lebanon.

pounds into American dollars, pounds sterling or virtually any

Church services for the dead were held today in areas under the control of the Phalangist Party, Lebanou's main right-wing organization. It is headed by Mr Pierre Gemayel, who nar-attack less lines attack last June.

Meanwhile, official sources reported that Mr Selim Al-Lawei and his wife were kid-napped today in the Muslim sector of Beirut Mr Lawei is the publisher of the Londonzine. Al-Havadess.

The bomb explosion came two days before rival Lebanese communities, divided by political, economic, social and religious differences, were to begin talks in yet another attempt as force national attempt to forge national Tension has mounted since

Syria's announcement earlier this month that it would withdraw its troops from Beirut, where they have been manning a buffer zone between the Christian and Muslim sectors.

He thought Rhadesia could become the "jewel of Africa" if it were allowed to build on the present economic base in peace. If the UANC won,

He warned voters against the

The four-day meeting was the subject of a complaint to terday by the Zanu (PF) party
led by Mr Mugabe. Two judges
in chambers issued an injunction having the Market and the brother tion barring the UANC from raffling six French cars, worth

Although the judges felt the issue of free food and drink to those attending the rally was

US reporter loses his accreditation

From Our Own Correspondent Jerusalem, Feb 24 Jerusalem, Feb 24

The Israeli Government has withdrawn press credentials from Mr Dan Raviv, a reporter for the American CBS radio network, who last week defied military censorship by flying to Rome to file a story alleging that Israel exploded a nuclear bomb last September with South African cooperation.

The incident is the first in more than 10 years that an Israel-based correspondent has had his official accreditation removed. It is seen as a reflection of the Government's concern at the number of recent occasions when prohibited stories have been first published abroad.

the number of recent occasions when prohibited stories have been first published abroad. In an announcement today the Government accused Mr Raviv of having committed a clear and gross violation of military censorship regulations.

It said Israel was a country in a state of war which complete the compl pels it to impose military censorship to protect the country's security and the lives of its residents.

The shekel makes a poor impression on Israel By yesterday afternoon, many of the kiosks had run out of

From Christopher Walker
Jerusalem, Feb 24
About 4,000 years after being introduced in Babylon as a weight for measuring silver, the shekel reappeared in Israel today as the new, biblically-inspired unit of currency. It was introduced to provide a psychological fillip in the battle against runaway inflation of 116 per cent a year.

Described by Mr Ygael Hurwitz, the Finance Minister, as a return to Israel's roots, the shekels are worth about 11p each. One shekel replaces 10 of the existing Israeli pounds.

A confused public has heard ministers and bankers explain repeatedly that the reform will encourage a new respect for the

repeatedly that the return will encourage a new respect for the value of money. But since the unexpected announcement on Friday afternoon, the general reaction has not been encouraging for the authorities.

"I think the name has all the wrong connotations", explained

a Jerusalem housewife who arrived ten years ago from South Africa. "All it makes my friends think about is Shakespeare's Shylock and the type of image that Jews have been trying to shake off for decades."

A cartoon in the Jerusalem Post summed up the general scepticism of citizens whose attitude to money has been coloured by monthly cost-of-living increases of about 9 percent. "Friday, I was overdrawn by 15,000 (Israeli pounds)", says a character with a broad grin on his face. "Today it's only 1,500 shekels." dollars and the exchange rate for one dollar had jumped from 39 Israeli pounds to 43. "We have never had a day like it", said one Arab operating near the Damascus Gate. "The Israelis are so confused they seem to want anything but their own currency."

The rush was so great that Mr Hurwitz was forced to issue a warning urging the public against going on what he called a "buying spree". He tried to convince them that the new only 1,500 shekels."
All weekend Israelis have foreign currency rases were only speculative. been converging in their hun-dreds on the Arab money changers, who operate from cramped kiosks in Jerusalem's old city. Their one sim has been to switch their Israeli

The introduction of the shekel notes—secretly printed in Holland—also had an unhappy effect on prices. By lunchume today, chickens and onions, for instance, were among the many commodities which had shown

This afternoon, the independent Hebrew paper Yediot Ahronot commented sourly:

"In other countries they take pains to curb inflation before changing the currency. But in Israel we have done the opposite: first we change the currency and then we start to wonder how to stop inflation."

Wherever the economic Whatever the economic effects, the reform has provided a field-day for Israel's

rided a field-day for Israel's countless biblical experts. They have discovered that the first mention of the new currency came in Genesis, Chapter 23, when Abraham paid "400 shekels of silver" to buy the field and cave of Machpelah from Enhron the United at a paid "400 shekels of silver" to buy the field and cave of Machpelah from Enhron the United at a paid "400 shekels". from Ephron the Hitrite as a burial place.

Irreverently, the typical reaction in inflation-bound Israel has been to ask how many shekels it would have cost him

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The America's Cup

Can the Yanks be

taught a lesson?

Pakistan relies on a 60-year-old locomotive

Landi Kotal North West Frontier

At 8.30 in the morning Mohamed Selim Khan, the engine driver, a brisk and mustachioed Parhan with a mustachioed Parhan with a topee on his head and 18 years' experience with Pakistan State Railways under his arm, wiped his oil cloth over the firebox of his 60-year-old steam engine, knowingly tapped the oil lubricator—a Wakefield patent made in London EC4—and eased locomotive Number 2511 out of Peshawar's hot and dusty railway station en route for the Khyber Pass.

Every schoolboy would love Number 2511. She has six driv-ing wheels, a smokestack with a lid like a teapor, a rusting boiler under constant repair, a squadron of gaskets that leak steam and a footplate that reeks of oil, smoke and freshly-brewed tea.

brewed tea.
She makes a noise like thunder and is one of the last living relics of British imperial India.

By an unpleasant coincidence of history, she has also become a vital piece of machinery along a vital piece of machinery along Pakistan's nervous western frontier. For if the Russians ever threaten to enter the Khyber from Afghanistan, the Pakistan army plans to use Number 2511 and her sister locomotive to pull its troops up to the border.

The Ministry of Defence in Islamabad, therefore, pays for the upkeep of the 36 miles of

track and subsidizes Mr Khan's weekly excursions to the fort-ress of Landi Kotal.

Civil servants' families take advantage of the day's outing for a theoretical first class return of 50p.

Number 2511 stops the grass growing over the permanent way and her attendant lords with their oil cloths and green flags prevent the tribesmen from building their mud-walled houses next to the 18 tunnels which puncture the precipitace cliff-face up the pass.

Number 2511 certainly needs a subsidy. No one seems to buy any tickets, bare-footed farm boys jump on the swaying second class green and cream carriage when the train is chuntering its way in black smoke through villages, and the footplate—quite approximately the state of the footplate—quite apart from
The Times correspondent today
—contained a minimum of three engine drivers and two fire-

Being an old and exclusive locomotive, however, Number 2511 has her rules.

They are invented by Pakistan State Railways and Mr Khan knows them all by heart.

"Every year", he said, "we have to repair this engine. We have to change the wheels but the real problem is to watch the boiler which is very important. It is a rule that we look at it every year.

look at it every year. "This is also a one-in-33 gradient, the steepest of its kind in the world. The whole line from Jamrud Fort to Landi Kotal is a heavy gradient line

Mr Khan leant out of the cab into the high, bright sky above the gorge and pointed to the back of this little train where a 1932 German-built locomotive painted in fading green was gailantly pushing from behind.

"According to railway rules", Mr Khan went on, glancing at the old English pressure gauge, "the banking of the train is most compulsory to stop the train rolling back." It was not the danger of falling backwards down the Khyber Pass that was disturbing, however, but the pressure gauge itself which never moved from 180, even when the locomotive 180, even when the locomotive was idling at Shagai Fort

Perhaps it was the steam released by the whistle which prompted this curious phenomenon since Mr Khan was constantly forced to tug a thin and broken piece of wire above the firebox which made the engine wail. Buffaloes, goats, sheep, children and old men had a habit of walking over the track just in front of Number 2511 when she was about to enter a tunnel. enter a tunnel.

the footplate. Mr Khan was enthusiastic about his work. "Of course I like driving this train", he shouted, "most of us train drivers in Rawalpindi are allowed to work on this track

But Number 2511 plunged into a tunnel which battered the sound of her engine into our eardrums and smothered the crew in a darkness that was lit only by the flaring oil-burning furnace.

At the tunnel's end, the glorious locomotive performed so sharp a corner above so sheer a precipice of rock hundreds of feet above a spinning river that two drivers and a fireman had to catch the fittings and Mr Khan was a little too busy to remember what he had been talking about.

There were a few down gradients but Number 2511 and her sister had to hammer their way the full 3,000ft up the mountain with little respite. There was, Mr Khan pointed out later with the bleak logic of ar enginer driver, no problem for his engine. She was, after all, an SGS class slow goods service locomotive: goods service locomotive; which was baffling but prob-

ably true. Number 2511 fumed into Landi Kotal three minutes late with the blue mountains of Afghanistan shimmering on the western horizon. She unhooked her two catriages and one truck and shunted about rather aim-

As she moved higher up the mountains, a sharp, cold mountain breeze snapped across the footplate. Mr Khan was lessly.

Why did Mr Khan really enjoy driving this great beast?

"It is a duty", he replied, it is a real duty". The British would have thought so too when Number 2511 was pulling the Dorsetshires, the Cheshires and the Prince of Wales' own regiments up to Landi Kotal. Sic gloria non transit.

Prisoners of conscience



Chile

By Caroline Moorehead

Sonia López was 19 when her husband Juan was arrested in the autumn of 1978. She came to London last week on behalf of the families of 55 political prisoners held in Santiago jail to describe the conditions under which they are being kept and the tortures to which they are

Only 30 of them have been sentenced; the others have been awaiting trial for up to

" My husband was arrested by the police one evening together with several of his relations, including a boy. He had known it was coming. His brother Sandro, an anthropologist at Santiago University, had gone underground five months earlier and was known to have organized at least one clandestine group of resisters to the regime.

"A law was passed last year making it a crime not to inform on known political activists, even close relations."

"They were all tortured for information about Sandro. My husband was strapped to a metal frame and had electric shocks sent through him. The veins in his arm were split open and bled from the injections they gave him. They broke his and he bleeds constantly now from internal injuries.

"The boy was not given elec-tric shocks. He was beaten and shown his mother hanging naked from the ceiling, while she was told that her son would be tortured unless she talked." No one talked. They were not in a position to give in-formation, as no one knew

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where Sandro was. "My husband has still not been tried. I have been allowed to visit him twice a week, ex-cept during a period of 20 days last year when he was held in solitary confinement on bread and water, in the dark in a cell one metre by one metre, for having protested that the political prisoners were given no status as such.

"When I go and see him I take him whatever I can: the food inside is often bad, puttid fish, vegetable peelings. When I leave I am suripped, harassed, searched.

Since her husband's arrest, Sonia López has not been allowed to work. She lives on what her family can give her and the little money she gets from selling jewelry her hus-band makes in jail. The Vicaria de la Solidaridad, the human rights organization of the Roman Catholic church in Chile, has managed to get permission for some of the political prisoners to work.

López is not their real name. Sonia fears that, should she be identified, she will not be allowed back to Chile, and that her husband might be singled out for fresh brutality.

She has come, she says, not simply to describe, but to warn all those interested in the fate of Chilean political prisoners that their situation may worsen at any time.

"Last November there were sudden raids on the homes of anyone with any political interests. Two thousand people were arrested; most were released after being harassed and beaten up.

"Then a mutiny broke out among common criminals in another jail and the Ministry of Defence accused the political prisoners of inciting them. We believe repression is going to get worse."

US warns El Salvador rightists against coup

Washington, Feb 24
The United States, which fears that a right-wing coup in Central American state of El Salvador is imminent, has taken the unusual course of issuing a public warning against

A Stte Department spokesman told reporters on Friday that the Administration will ct off the Administration will ct off aid to any new regime in El Salvador which fails to respect human rights and frustrates mucr-needed reforms in the country.

El Salvador, which has a population of about 4,300,000.

problems which have long plagued the country. The Gov-ernment, which has the full backing of Washington, took office last autumn.

In a move to reinforce the Administration's deep concern about the situation in El Salvaofficial told reporters later that the American Embassy in San Salvador had been in touch with the leaders of the various groups which were thought to be involved in the projected

Politician killed: The latest victim of El Salvador's violence

anti-government votes

From Neil Kelly Bangkok, Feb 24

Parliamentary opponents of the Thai Government claim they

In an attempt to recapture public confidence, General Kriangsak in a 50-minute broad-cast last night promised new measures to stabilise prices and to increase the people's pur-chasing power after big rises in the price of oil and other fuels.

The rises are already causing extreme hardship and threaten to push Thailand's annual in-flation beyond 20 per cent. General Kriangsak said he had no conflict with General Prem

Tinsulanonda, the Army com-mander in chief and Defence Minister who is regarded as his most likely successor. . In a rare speech about economic policy, General Prem has said that business monopolies and improper distribution of incomes are the main reasons for Thailand's economic prob-lems. He added that the Govern-

ment should review the oil price rise if the people dis-

agreed with it. Opposition leaders have said would accept either General Prem or General Serm No Nakhon, the supreme com-mander and a Deputy Prime Minister, as head of a new 20vernment.

Aegean air reopens to all flights

Atheas, The Aegean was reopened to all international flights today after a break-through in the Greek-Turkish dispute over air traffic control in the region which lasted nearly six years.

On Friday, Turkey withdrew unilaterally its claim for the control of air traffic over the eastern half of the Aegean Sea, an area of Greek responsibility under international arrange. international arrange

Greece responded yesterday by revoking its civil aviation notice of 1974 which declared

the Aegean unsafe and banned all flights except its own, Mr George Rallis, the Greek Foreign Minister, expressed satisfaction over this unexpected The closing of air corridors

over the Aegean for all but Greek domestic flights, had remunications between Greece and Turkey, as flights from Athens to Istanbul, a distance covered in 50 minutes, had to be diverted by way of Bulgaria taking one hour 40 minutes. Greek and foreign airlines in Athens said today they had not yet had time to consider the

resumption of direct flights berween the two countries. Opposition parties in both Greece and Turkey are viewing these sudden developments with some suspicion. In Turkey, the Government has been accused of giving in to Western pres-sures in exchange for large-scale economic and military aid. In Greece, opposition leaders de nounced the Turkish gesture and the Greek response as part of an Averican ploy to bring about Greece's reintegration into Nato.

A permanent settlement of the Greek-Turkish dispute over the Aegean air space would certainly allay the mutual sus-picions that block agreement on the return of Greece to Nato's integrated military structure.

space From Mario Modiano

—are here in larger form than they have ever been in the 129-year pursuit of yacht-ing's Ashes. Years of rivalry make this much more Years of rivalry make this much more than a simple yaching match, a trial of design, gear, skill, guile and experience. The personalities of the cup's questers have always played a colourful part in the drama. And it is the same this time: steadily growing tension and competitive edge are rooted in the determination of successful businessmen, men used to having their own way and still smarting from defeats in their previous cup attempts. They long to teach those Yanks a lesson.

For their part, the Americans, who have never lost the cup, are determined that no Limey, Anssie, Frenchman or Swede, will get it now.

This time round the fight for the America's Cup will be the best. Those qualities which characterize remarkable sporting contests—a salting of personal and national pride, a certain needle, an ache to settle a score

During August they will watch closely, and perhaps a shade imperiously, as Lionheart (Britain), France III. (France), Sverige (Sweden) and Australia (Australia) fight their way through the eliminating races for the privilege of taking on the Americans in the best-of-seven match for the cup itself off Rhode Island in

It will be the twenty-fourth challenge for the vulgar bulbous silver ewer the schooner America won in a race around the Isle of Wight in 1851, leaving a brusse on the British ego which throbs still. If Lionheart wins the preliminary races she will be making the eighteenth British

Tony Boyden, the industrialist and sportsman who paid for the last British challenger (Sovereign, thrashed 4—0 in 1964) has put £200,000 into Lionheart. He is chairman of the British Industry 1500 Club which is raising £800,000 to go for the cup.

"Certainly pride and patriotism play their part", he said. "I was stung by defeat in 1964. I was a successful man and

"But the cup is not an obsession. It is a supreme sporting challenge and it excites me: the only major sporting trophy never won by Britain. The money needed for the challenge is not extravagant at a time when you can pay fim for a foot-baller. The challenge is a contribution to fighting the British disease, the sort of pessimism and cynicism that has followed in the train of our decline. Win-ning the America's Cup would do us good. It would help us to think well of

In the pre-spring chill of next month Lionheart will be re-launched after winter lay-up to begin months of work-up and tuning in the Solent. She is the first 12-metre yachr built in Britain since Sovereign. She was built in aluminium by Joyce of Southampton, is 64ft overall and is a glistening porpoise black.

"My lucky colour", John Oakeley, the skipper, said. Most of the dinghies he sailed in a notable career in national world and Olympic racing were black. But green is unlucky. There are no green ropes or tapes in Lionheart and the crew know they must wear nothing green. We cannot take chances.

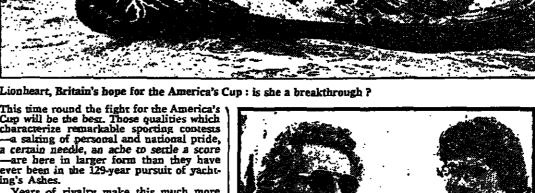
No British challenge has been better prepared than this. Tony Boyden said: "My mood in 1964 was not one of depression but of amazement at the distance in technology between our yachting industry and the American. Before 1964 I was not really America's Cup conscious. But I was keen on 12-metre cacing, got into the cup game and was badly beaten. I made up my mind that I would not get involved again until I thought we could win. I wanted to be thorough."

Over the years Boyden and friends kept abreast of 12-metre development, particularly in the United States. They cast around for a designer and chose Ian Howlett, a young Hampshire naval architect, commissioning him to do tank and wind-tunnel research at Southampton University In the commissioning the search at Southampton University In the commissioning the search at Southampton University In the search at Southampton University In the search at Southampton University In the search and search at Southampton University In the search and search at Southampton University In the search and search at Southampton University In the search at Southampton University In the search and search at Southampton University In the search and search at Southampton University In the I versity. In some quarters there was sur-prise at the choice of "a young unknown". Howless, who is 31, resents the suggestion and says quiedy, and with proper profes-sional self-respect: "I think that those who know the business were not surprised"

Howherr examined the lines of many 12metres and made a careful analysis of American boats. He, Boyden and Oakeley watched the last cup series, in 1977, when the American Courageous beat Australia. And he spent an exhausting year working on and perfecting his design. He does not pelieve that 12-metre design has reached a peak. "We have come up with a quite different underwater shape and we have a very quick boat."

Lionheart has a particularly fine entry

and her shape makes her most seakindly. She does not have the weight-saving soul bow now seen on France III and some of the American twelves, but she does have a low and weight-saving bow; and she has one of the highest balkst ratios of any twelve, giving her greater stability for a given sail area.





John Oakeley, Ian Howlett and Tony Boydon: fighting the British disease

human factor."

The rig, the mast and sails, have been wind-tunnel tested and remains Lionwind-tunnel tested and remains Lion-heart's secret weapon, something her team want to keep hidden from the Americans as long as possible. "It represents a break-through," is all that Oakeley will say about it. But it is presumed that the mass will be of the flexible kind pioneered in din-ghies in recent years. How well it will work on a 12-metre is a matter of much interest.

As for the human factor, both Boyden and Oakeley recognize that what sharpens both boats and men is long and continuous competitive training. "Relentless competi-tion has enabled the Americans to produce good boats and good crews year after year. They have had a protessional approach," Boyden said. "One of our weaknesses in the 1958 (Sceptre) and 1964 (Sovereign) challenges was our lack of competitive build-up. Only competition produces that nervous tension, that edge. out of which you get better sailing performance."

Last summer Lionheurt raced in Sweden and off Brighton—and did well. "The Swedish races welded us as a crew." Cakeley said. "It would have taken us 18 months of ordinary working-up to Jearn what we did in Sweden. After all, we have had to pack in a lot of experience in a short time. We simply did not have much 12-metre experience in this country. Most of us were 12-metre virgins. Before Lion-heart I myself had sailed in a twelve just once, a day out in Sovereign in 1963. And I decided twelves were not for me!" Racing is being organized on the other side of the Atlantic this summer between the British, French, Australian and Swedish boats, before the elimination races; and prizes are being offered for the

race crew of 11 will be drawn, have been doing weight and circuit training during the winter lay-up. But they are by no means the foredeck gorillas of yachting legend. "We are a light crew," Oakeley said, "average age about 31, experienced sailing men, fit and agile. Like good weight lifters we rely on technique rather than brute strength."

There are no paid hands on board. For the pleasure of racing for the cup some crew may have to give up jobs. Others will be able to get unpaid leave or make some other arrangement with employers.

The programme is tough. In March Lionheart will be out every weekend; in April four days a week; in May every day. Then she will be shipped to the United States, and her programme, underlining determination with jaunty numour, says: "July, commence sailing at Newport: August, defeat Australians, French and Swedes; September, beat the Americans: October, bring back the cup."

Oakeley, who is 47, managing director of a sailmaking company, describes him-self as a "firm and friendly" skipper. He is not at all alcof and likes to mix with his team. "All I ask is 100 per cent relia-bility and punctuality." Until the 1960s the America's Cup was

almost exclusively an Anglo-American pri-vate war. Wealthy sportsmen spent hun-dreds of thousands of pounds on the trail dreds of thousands of pounds on the trait of this elusive Grail, and the cup became a sort of bottomless hole into which rich men decanted their cash. In 1970, 1974 and 1977 attempts were made by the French and Australians, and the Swedes had a shot in 1977. But each time the Australians won the right to challenge.

This year, for the third time, the Australian challenge is backed by a group in which Alan Bond is the leading figure. He migrated from Middlesex to Perth in 1950, aged 13, and became a millionaire through land and property dealing. His challengers Southern Cross and Australia vere decisively beaten in 1974 and 1977. His desire for revenge is coming nicely

Gallic feathers have been ruffled thrice in the cup battles of the 1970s. The cen-tral and colourful figure in the French sorties was Baron Marcel Bich, who made his money in ballpoint pens to which,

"The hull, though, is not everything." having dropped the in, he gave his name, the designer acknowledges. "The rig has to be just right. And then there is the seeing a film about the cup in the 1960s: The baron entered the cup battles after seeing a film about the cup in the 1960s; and was said to have spent £1m on his; first challenge. This was peppered with preposterous rows, emotional scenes and enough farce for the French press to describe the baron as "the ecceptric of." the waves" and to say that his first attempt was "sunk in a sea of ridicule". ...
Of course, the baron is an clder (66) and ... probably wiser man; and he longs to win; the cup, for himself, for la gloir, for

Sweden's yacht, Sverige, partly rebuilt, is backed by £600,000 of Swedish business money, and the attempt is led by Pelle's Petterson, who, like John Oakeley, is 47 and a former Olympic competitor. Meanwhile, in American waters, four possible defenders, Enterprise, Courageous, Free dom and Independence, are being readied. In American 12-metre circles there is only one nightmare that jerks men from sleep in the small hours: the scary thought that they could be part of a crew which loses the America's Cup for the first time. Tony Boyden looks forward to making,

that nightmare come true: he certainly does not see himself as another of the great British losers. like Sir Thomas. Lipton, the so-called boating grocer who tried five times.

Boyden started in business at 21, taking over a small family company which he sold after 10 years to Spicers for £1,700,000. Since then he has started, or acquired 32 companies meluding British Seaguily the outboard engine makers. the outboard engine makers.

Both as businessman and sportsman he has always sought to follow his code of "doing things well" and says "if you sent me to live in the desert in a tent I would try to do it well ". He was therefore frustrated by the slow way in which sup-port for the British Industry 1500 Club developed: he feared that he and his fellow-backers would not be able "to do it well. Last November the fund was still £300,000 short of target, but the belief now is that the money will be Through the Friends of Lionheart.

scheme people can buy small items for the campaign, like shackles, a length of rope, even a square foot of mainsail. Boyden is impressed and rather touched that money is coming in in fivers and tenners, from the public.

"People want a part in a British venture. They want us to do well. I know there . are people who are cynical about the whole thing. They think 12-metres and the America's Cup are out of context with the age. But I and many others don't. The races help to develop design and equipment which benefit a much wider circle of people; and the challenge is exciting! of people; and the challenge is exciting and good for us."

Boyden is a shy man and rarely talks about himself. He is deeply religious, a Christian Scientist, and says his faith governs everything he does in his life. He enjoys his own company and likes to bury, himself in Lis books. Business keeps him in,... Queen Anne house near Dorchester, a virtual ruin when he found it 20 years ago, and which he has lovingly restored. "I'm... not so much the owner as a steward looking after a beautiful part of our neritage." It houses his anxiques and is open to the public. He is Master of the South Dorset... Hunt; and he skis, sails, golfs, and sees no-reason why, at 48, he should stop zooming... down the Cresta Run occasionally.

For him a number of interests, hopes and emotions coincide in the attempt on the America's Cup. There are the design problems, the thinking, patriotism, the belief in doing it all well, comradeship and teamwork. "But I don't want it thought that I'm

too serious about it, or tedious. It is a sporting challenge and I am a sportsman; It has something in common with dashing across the countryside on a crisp winter, morning—the thrill of the chase."

Trevor Fishlock

population of about 4,300,000, is one of the smalestl, poorest and most densely populated nations in the Americas. The spokesman added that the existing Government, which consists of civilians and members of the armed forces, offers the "best chance" of addressing the eronomic and social solutions of about 4,300,000, was Señor Mario Zamora Rivas, the Attorney-General, who was killed by unidentified guamen in his home in San Salvador Señor Zamora, a leader of the Christian emocratic Party, had been accused by a right-wing organization of being a member of a left-wing extremist group. Thai opposition musters

are close to having enough votes to overthrow General Kriangsak Chammanand, the Prime Mini-ster. A vote on a no-confidence motion is expected during a special session of Parliament opening on Friday.

The five main political parties, for forming as alliance to

after forming an alliance to force General Kriangsak from power, said they had 215 certain votes and promises of at least another 20. They need 264 votes who has been Prime Minister since November, 1977.

Khmer Rouge in clashes along border From Our Correspondent Bangkok, Feb 24

Vietnamese soldiers Khmer Rouge guerrillas have been fighting for three days along a 12-mile stretch of the Thai-Kampuchea border, sources here said today. Fighting went on for more than eight hours on Friday and for about two hours yesterday. Today's fighting was described as sporadic.

The heaviest clashes occurred near the Khmer Rouge strong-hold at Phnom Malai, south of Aranyaprathet.
There is also daily skirmishing between Vietnamese troops and anti-Communist "Free

Khmers" on the border north of Aranyaprathet.

Many Vietnamese and troops
of the Heng Samrin regime have
gathered between six and 10
miles from the Thai border,
according to Lieutenant-General
Som Karanan chief of the Thai of Aranyaprathet. Som Katapan, chief of the Thai information centre.

Three to die for killing children

Bangui, Feb 24.—A court in the Central African Republic sentenced three men to death last night for their part in killings ordered by the deposed Emperor Jean-Bedel Bokassa.

The three, including a former captain in the Imperial County captain in the Imperial Guard Joseph Mokoa, were found guilty of murdering schoolchild-

10,000 see execution

ren last year

Peking, Feb 24.—A man who backed to death his neighbours and their eight-year-old 50n with an axe was executed in front of 10,000 people near Swatow, South China,

Mr Trudeau to take over as Premier on March 3

Ottawa, Feb 24.--Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Liberal Party leader, has said he will be sworn in as Prime Minister on March 3, two weeks after de-feating Mr Joe Clark to regain the office he lost nine months

take place just under nine months from the date of Mr Clark's swearing-in after de-feating Mr Trudeau in the elec-tion of May 22 last year. Mr Trudeau said he was considering recalling Parliament before the end of March, but he doubted that there would be "We have settled on March 3", Mr Trudeau told reporters as he emerged from an hour-

The swearing-in ceremony will

enough time for the necessary preparatory work before then. In that case, he would summon long meeting with Mr Edward Schreyer, the Governor General, the next session of Parliament at the medical centre where the head of state is recovering from just after Easter, which falls on an operation, April 6.—UPI. Results of 1980 Canadian Elections

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Olympic Games

National pride shines through as America capture the gold medal

Lake Piacid, Feb 24

After the cuphoria of Friday right, the delirium, the gandemonium, of Sunday morning. The United States' ice hockey victory ever the Soviet Union, delicina, ever the Soviet Umon, delicious moment that it was, was yet only a stepping stone to higher things. This morning at 11 o'clock they stepped on to the pinnacte to inke the go'd medals. They hast Finland by four grais to two, leaving the Soviet Union and Sweden to decide among themselves where the other medals should go.

The Americans went into the same knowing that even a newould probably not have seved their purpose. "Anyway", Hert, a knowledgable and helpful neighbour remarked, "Setting a ne in the Umred States is like known your sister".

For much of the same the

much of the game the For much of the game the Americans seemed to be suffering from a reaction after their historic win over the Soviet Union, drained of old will and skill. Finland led 1—0 at the first interval and 2—1 at the second. "This is Sunder school stuff", there complained, although it bridly looked that way to a transaliante intruder wincing as hedges cruncing each other and the barriers.

There was no need to speculate what the American coach had said to his men during the second interval. National pride was at stake and they came out with such I be in their beiltes that three times a men was sent to the specific by the primary than the promite how for the primary than the prima penalty box for two minutes for a variety of indiscretions springing from over-eathusiasm. Given that advantage, the Firms still found cremselves utterly overwheimed.

Such a result looked unlikely Such a result looked unlikely as stupid errors twice gave Fin-land the lead. An American appropriately named Morrow caucilly gave away the puck and Porvari, the Finnish captain pounced. In the second period frustrement at a glaring miss led to Schneider lashing out and while he was off the ice Leimonen. Finland's star forward secret Finland's star forward, scored

The lassitude of the first 40 minutes gave way to an exhibition of fireworks that finally bon or treworks that mally brought unabandoned joy in the presence of the Vice President. American sticks, gloves and helmets were burled into the croud in the thrill of it all. It was like Wembley and the Werld Cup in Iran. Can this really be the nation who are account to the appropriate the property of the property who are anxious to put a spanner in the Olympics works? American television mowers will unable to watch the United



States rousing 4—3 win over the Soviet Union. An apparent misunderstanding between the Olympic Organizing Committee, the International fice Hockey Federation and the teams involved. meant the United States match was he first game of the final pool to be played and missed the American Broadcasting Corporation's scheduled Olympic pro-

gramme.

The ABC TV network thought they had an agreement whereby if the United States qualified for the medals pool they would play their march after the Finland-Sweden game. But, behind-the scenes moves were apparently blocked by an objection from at least one of the other trams. So the American public, usually provided with live blow-by-blow television coverage, had to follow the match on radio and tune in after match on radio and tune in after the game to watch a television recording.

After the game. President Carter telephoned the United States ream at their dressing rooms to invite them to the White House tomorrow to celebrate their win.

their win.

Curry's star role: The figure skating champions. John Curry and Dorothy Hamill, who turned professional after winning Olympic gold medals four years ago, are booked to make an unprecedented appearance before the amateur leaders of the International Olympic Committee today. The Lake Placid organizing committee has arranged an hourlong entertainment in the Olympic committee has arranged an nour-long entertainment in the Olympic rink before the formal closing of the Winter Games, a key part of 10C protocol. The two profes-sionals have star roles in the pro-

Miss Hamill, the 1976 ladies Olympic champion from the United States, has been working here as a figure skaping commentator for the ABC television

Is Heiden's gold hoard debased coinage?

Lake Placid, Féb 24

dominated Saturday's Olympic events, the Heidens (United States) and Wenzels (Liechtenstein). The Heidens came here with hopes of gold medals in both men's and women's speed skating, the Wenzels had two sisters and a brother entered in the Apline skiling events. In each cave one member emerged to assume a starring role while the others played minor parts.

This may seem a barsh verdict on Beth Heiden, who did, after all, take the brottee medal in the 3.000 metres speed skating but, alas for her peace of mind, more was expected of her by both the American public and herself. Similarly, Andreas and Petra Wenzel are less distinguished in their particular field, in spite of the brothers' praiseworthy silver medal in the slalom, and lent heavily on the elder sister, Hanni for family fortunes. She did them proud.

It was suggested in these columns a few days ago that it was within Hanni Wenzel's capacity to "do a Mittermaier"—that is, emulate the delightful Rosi's two golds and a silver at the second Innsbruck Games four years ago. She did not let The Times down.

Having finished behind Annemarie Moser in the downthill, as she was virtually bound to do for the silver medal, she first picked off the giant slalom, and yesterday the slalom, with what somebody called another "taste of Hanni". It was a great triumph for a country which has fewer telegraph poles than the rop country has skiers.

Meanwhile Eric Heiden was adding an unprecedented fifth medals in both men's and women's speed skating, the Wenzels had

Lake Placid results



has two faces. Miss Wenzel for versatility on skis, Heiden for sameness on skates. overall Olympic record belongs to

speed skating oval, this time over 10,000 metres. He thus surpassed the record of Lydia Skobiikova, of the Soviet Union, who won four gold medals for speed skating at the first Innsbruck Games in 1964.
Like Helden, she had achieved a clean sweep; there are only four events for women. The

Mark Spitz, also of the United States, who gathered in seven gold medals for swimming during the summer Games of 1972 at Munich. How to compare the achieve-ments of Miss Wenzel and Heiden? Cold statistics point to Heiden, but I am inclined to plump for Miss Wenzel. She did not achieve

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Medals table

the pulverizing dominance over the pulverizing dominance over other competitors, but on the other hand she displayed greater versatility. The downhill, giant slaiom and slaiom demand such different talents nowadays that few skiers, especially among the men, even artempt all three. Speed skating, on the other hand, calls for the same relentless drive and swing.

And is not the currency a little debased if it is possible for one man (and one woman, in the case of Miss Skoblikova) to scoop such a large pool? It would be inconcivable in athletics, for instance, for the same man or woman to win over the shortest distance and the longest and every distance in between.

Without wishing to underplay Heiden's superb physique (for speed skating, that is, otherwise I do not find those belging thighs and bottom particularly attractivel and conditioning, I incline to the view that, as in sympastics and swimming, medals come too cheaply in speed skating.

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Mrs Moser, superlative skier that she is downhill, could not get near a medal for slalom or giant slalom; Ingemar Steumark, supera medal for slalom or giant slalom; Ingemar Steumark, superlative that he is, does not even take part in the downhill, let alone expect to win a medal.

I asked Heiden how if was possible for a man to win over all distances in speed skating when that would be inconcervable in any other sport, even saimming. His answer was that he was basically a sprinter who had achieved stamina by hard work. Does that mean, then, that Ahn Wells, for instance, could, if he put his mind to it, take ou Sebastian Coe in the 1,500 metres, and Brendan Foster in the 10,000? The answer seems to be that speed skaping is such an esoteric sport, practised by so comparatively few people, that titles can come that much more easily.

Heiden himself, a dream interviewee, did not seem all that impressed with his five titles. "I would not mind", he said, " if I never saw the medals again. They are not that important to me." Would he be going to see the President in Washington? He did not know, "but it would be something to do."

Nehmer out on his own

Lake Placmid, Feb 24.-An East the silver, and Horst Schoenau, Nehmer, all poise and precision, won his second successive Olympic four-man bob sleigh title today, the first racer to retain an Olympic bobsleigh crown in nearly 50 years. Nehmer was in a class of his own, twice breaking the oneminute barrier on the one mile course. He permitted himself a rare smile when he stormed home in a flurry of snow on his final starter in that run but he had built up such a commanding lead that he knew none of the 13
following teams could catch him.
Nehmer's streamlined blue sled
returned a four-run aggregate of
three minutes 59.92 seconds to
win the title ahead of Erich
Schaerer (Switzerland) who took
Reuter.

German airm lieutenant, Meinhard the second East German pilot, who won the bronze.

Schaerer, who snatched Nehmer's two-man Olympic title last weekend, squeezed ahead of Schoenau's Nehmer in Innsbruck four years ago. But he was still nearly a full second behind Nehmer, despite recording the fastest time in the fourth and final run on the re-frigerated Mount van Moevenberg

track.

Neimer, the world champion in 1977 and European champion lest year, fashioned his victory with a brilliant opening run of 59.86 seconds yesterday. In today's first series he threaded one more perfect run down the 16-curve track to clock an even faster 39.72.—
Reuter.

US dreams snuffed out by Miss Pötzsch

From John Hennessy
Lake Placid
Anert Potzsch completed the discomfiture of the United States in the figure skating arena last night. She comfortably held off the challenge of the world champion, Linda Fratianne, to bring East Germany their first gold medal in this field. Thus, those Americans who had foreseen the possibility of three of the four titles had to be content with one silver and one bronze (Charles Tickner).

There was some poetic justice here. Miss Potzsch is trained, like Jan Hoffmann by Jutta Müller, who had been generous in defeat when Robin Cousins had won the men's title earlier in the week. How sad that the Americans could not show the same sporting spirit in defeat. One of their trainers was small-minded enough to complain because an American hair-dresser had prepared Denise Biellmann, of Switzerland.

The event was something of an anti-climax, since it had virtually been decided in the cold, doserted, compulsory figure rink on the first day, Miss Potzsch had then

anni-climax, since it had virtually been decided in the cold, doserted, compulsory figure rink on the first day. Miss Pôtzsch had then built up such a lead that Miss Frattanne, in spite of a splendid short programme, was left with too much to do last night.

Apart from the East German representative, all judges placed Miss Fratianne above her principal opponent in the free skating, but by nowhere near enough margin to close the final gap. Both were beaten in the free by the younger Miss Bellimann, aged 17, who almost brought off the stunning coup, for a woman, of a triple lutz. Miss Bellimann moved up four places to fourth behind Dagmar Lurz, of West Germany.

A fascinating personal tussle has developed between Miss Fratianne and Miss Pôtzsch in recent years, with neither able to achieve lasting supremacy. Miss Fratianne wou the world championship in 1977 and 1979, but she was second to Miss Pôtzsch in the intervening year, and has now had to give ground again. Battle will be rejoined at the world championships in Doromund next month, when, by rota, it will be Miss Fratianne's turn again.

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Karena Richardson, the British Champion, finished 12th, as she had done in the European championships at Goteborg last month, the three Europeans not competing here being replaced by the three American representatives. One of American representatives. One of those three Europeans was another British skater. Deborah Contrill who finished sixth in Göteborg. She is now almost certain to take Miss Richardson's place in the team for Dortmund. At 17, she is three years the younger.

Rackets and real tennis

Players caused problems by clash of fixtures

Py Roy McKeivie

A class of events caused the existency of one region and the nior default of another from the open rackets champonisings at I ton yestenday. William Brone, a former holder, and Peter Seabnook, the players involved, were also entaged in the tital of the lienty Leaf Cup for real tennishitween Eton and Winchester, the holders, at Queen's Club. Thy met in the opening rubber.

Seabnork, of Winchester, beat Poone by 3-6, 8-1, 2-2, 6-4, 6-4, after just over three hours. Frome by 5-6, 6-1, 2-2, 6-4, 6-4, after just over three hours play. By the time they had finished the winner had no chance of reaching Eron in time to play. Shannon Hazall, the assistant professional at Chinon. He accepted his fate with good grace. his fate with good grace.

Beene made his deadline by about five minutes, unhappy at the fact that he had led Seabrook his two sets to one and 4—0 and then hist nine games in a row and later the match. His rackets opponent was David Parsons, a player with an excellent ene, but a trille heavy footed about the court. Boone won by 15—9, 15—10, 15—2.

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The conflict of interest between these two games had an embarrassing ring about it. John Prenn, the holder, who had carlier beaten Peter Berg easily was the senior steward present at the rackets. It would have been his dur, to scratch Boone had he been late. But surely it is not beyond the wit of the Tennis and Rackets. David Jenkins and Terry Whatley, the professional champion from Clifton, placed the best rackets of the day, Jenkins never allowed Garth Milne to get his nose in front while wirning hy 15—10, 15—12, 15—2, Whatley was severe with Julian Paul, who has just left whool, and won by 15—2, 15—4, 15—3.

Wincheter won the Henry Leaf Cup for the seventh year running, bearing Eton 3—0.

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Table tennis

Chinese make clean sweep

Russelsheim. Feb 24.—China made a clean sweep of the men's and women's titles at an international table tennis championship here tonight. The Chinese second team best Czechoslovakia 3—0 in the men's and the women's event was an all-Chinese affair. China's first team beat the second 3—0, second truent of the second 3—0.

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Rudder sends Richmond in the right direction

By Sydney Friskin Speacer 1 Richmond unexpectedly de-leated Spencer at Earlsfield ves-terday to qualify for the final of the Surrey Cup after a lively same of bookey under trying conditions. Richmond's opponents will be Guildford who just managed to Guildford who just the beat Barnes 1—0.

In spite of having more territorial advantage and many more thoricorners than their rivals, Spencer's forwards could not get together and there were some together and the some together the some the some together Spencer's forwards could not get together and there were some costly mistakes in defence on which Richmond capitalised. Yet no one could grudge Richmond their win on the basis of the real divolayed up front, where Rudder old most of the openings. Hall, though sometimes a little robust with his tackles, had a splendid game at right back and Filby in goal made a number of smart saves, particularly in the early part of the second half when Spencer were trying to neutralise Richmond's 2—1 lead.

The start looked promising for Spencer, who took the lead in the tenth minute with Panesar converting a short corner. His shot rose

tenth minute with Panesar converting a short corner. His shot rose
into the net after a good handstop but after that Spencer's
corner drill broke down as the
pitch began to break up and
there was little support for their

resourceful centre forward, Richmond 3 Rehnsi Nor did Spencer take full advantage of the number of centres from their outside right. Dosaj, who, in desperation, sometimes appeared on the other

wing.

Spencer's lead was cancelled out within a minute when Hall converted a short corner with a supero hit along the ground. Seven minutes later Richmond were in front from a penalty stroke converted by Newton, a scramble after a corner having led to the stroke. Most of Spenled to the stroke. Most of Spencer's attempts to equalize were then frustrated by Hall and Filby. The match was wen and lost in the thirteenth minute of the second half when Rudder took advantage of a misunderstanding hetween Panesar and the goal-keeper to drive the ball into goal from the top of the circle. That goal came after the goalkeeper himself had made a great save off Girdwood, Rudder just failing on the follow-up. The remainder of the game generally belonged to Spencer. the game generally belonged to Spencer.

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England finish on top

By Joyce Whitehead By Joyce Whitehead

England, with two victories and a draw, led the table at the end of the home countries B tournament on the Lancashire cricket ground at Old Trafford, Manchester, on Saturday. The draw came against Wales, who drew all three matches. Scotland and Ireland each drawing two and losing one. The small total of 11 goals from six matches (four goals coming in England's game with Ireland) showed how even the game is at this level.

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It was England's pedestrian goalless draw against Wales in the last match of the tournament which hrought Wales into second place, their best record in this tournament so far. England were awarded 30 corniers in that game and scored from none of them.

Scotland scored first against Wales but by half-time it was 1—1. Kerr (Midfand District) very nearly shot the winning goal but her penalty stroke was splendidly saved. Ireland held England well

in the first half of the next match and could have taken the lead, but the tide turned after some well-chosen words by England's coach during the interval. In six minutes of the second half, Lesley Ashton, Mary Flanagan and Catherine Dodd had all scored, and Ashton went on to hit in the fourth goal a little later.

The Scotland and Ireland match was an enjoyable affair. Scotland

Swimming

Miss Kelly blazes a trail which others follow -

By Athali Still The first Barnet Copthall inter-national swim meeting sponsored by Optrex, ended yesterday as it begun on Friday with a flurry of records and personal best performances: most swimmers revelled in what must be the finest shortin what must be the finest shortcourse racing conditions in
Europe. In all six British senior
records were established, but that
figure rises to 24, when one includes the new Welsh, Irish and
British junior marks.
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was 33 usual in the forefront of
the action but not the record
breaking. She gave a splendid display of tersability which brought
her seven wins (and an assortment
of television sats and other computerlike equipment which will
no doubt delight her young twin
brathers) in seven starts, but the

unity female performance, whose ripples will generate any anxiety in swimming strongholds around the world, came in the 100 metres breat stroke, which Margaret Kelly (Beckenham McLaren) dominated even more completely than she had the 200 metres on Saturday. RESULTS Ment for Saturday.

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Latest European snow reports

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Rugby League

Hesford shrugs off injury to break down the wall

By Keith Macklin

There are times when it is easier to prise a pearl from a reluctant oyster than to score a try in a Rugby League cup tie. Warrington and Leeds played their version of the Eton Well Game at Wilderspool yesterday, and in a brusing and tense encoulnter the match winner was the man who was declared fit to play only at the last minute, the Warrington centre and goalkicker. Hesfierd. goalkicker. Hestard. Hesford may not be the game's

Hesford may not be the game's best centre, but the prodigious length and accuracy of his kicking make him a natural match winner. When his injured ankle, assisted by a late injection, was declared ht to play, he landed a huge penalty from near the halfway line in the second minute, and went on to land four goals against one by Dick in an eight-two upset by Warrington.

Leeds, whose recent form has been the despair of their supporters, were defeated by a fine tackling sint by Warrington. Last week against Hull Kingston Rovers the Warrington defence was torn to ribbons, However, cup tie football is a different matter and Warrington's 13 rose to courageous

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make.

Another famous victory, and possibly the best of the day, was the 10—4 win by Habiax at Barrow. Two seasons ago Halifax were on the verge of bankruptcy and dissolution after being beaten in a cup tie by a Hull amateur club. Somehow under their coach, Maurice Bamford, they have hauled themselves up to a promotion position in the second division, to the final of the Yorkshire Cup and now to the quarter-

division, to the final of the Yorkshire Cup and now to the quarterfinal ronund of the State Express
Chailenge Cup.

Like Warrington, Halifax pinned their faith on an 80-minute
tockling stint, following the
words of the coach, Bamford, who
says 'simply: " stop the other
side from scoring and you can't
lose." Halifax restricted Barrow
to four points from the boot of
Ball. They scored tries them³elves Yachting

A novel experience for some

For Some

By John Nicholls

A mixed bag of 42 helmsmen took part in an Olympic sail-in, sponsored by BL Cars at Queen Mary Reservoir, near Staines, during the weekend. Organized by the Queen Mary Sailing Club and the British Olympic Yachting Association, the evenit was planned as part of the team's preparations for the selection trials in May

It was also an excuse to show yachting on television, the meeting being filmed by the BBC for transmission on Wednesday evening. Unfortunately, the weather was uniformly dank and dismal, and the sailing was far from dramatic Still, perhaps the public will be able to make something of the little boats saiting round and round in the rain.

Not that the outcome of the races should be taken too seriously. Few of the helmsmen were sailing their own boats. They were in borrowed Lasers, and for some of them this sort of racing would be a novel experience. There were 42 separate races and the object of the exercise—to sharpen refixes and provide competition at a slack time of the year—was achieved.

The team series was won by the "Dolomite" neam, which included Jeremy Bickerton (usuelly a 470 sailor) with the best individual points score.

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The favourkes, Widness, were never extended at Huddersfield where the second division side were ounclassed in every phase of the game at Widnes, spearheaded by Adams and Gorley, ran, in 48 points. Selford also went through comfortably against second division opposition, bearing Rochdale Horners 20—5 at the Athletic Ground.

Motor racing

Decision to ban skirts is welcomed

Rowing

Lady Margaret row over to retain leadership By a Special Correspondent

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The two Hull sides went into tomorrow's draw with home victories. While York gave a much better account of themselves at Hull kingston Rovers produced some brilliant handling and running to moverwhelm Castleford. The Rovers' tries came from Hubbard (2), Holdstock, Lowe, Hartley and Leighton and five goals from Rubbard. The only blemish on Rovers' performance was the sending-off of Hogan near the end.

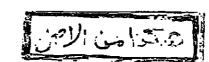
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Francis takes flight as he reclaims his long-lost freedom

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
Keegan apart, there are not many British footballers whose arrival in the penalty area co-incides with a sudden increase in the polse-rate of the spectator. The return after five years of Johason to the England team stressed the point, for although a regular scorer he is bardly a miller, Greaves, or Law, and, for Liverpool, works in partnership with Dalglish. One of the few exceptions should be Francis, whose opportunities have been restricted by Nottingham Forest's tactical decision to use him in midfield.

Freed to go forward against Manchester City on Saturday, Francis stored three goals for the first time since he was bought for film. From his youthful days at reputation for scoring so often, he has always been exciting to watch as the penetrates the penalty area. In his last full senson at Birming-fiam, he scored 27 goals and was the first division's second most prolific scorer behind Latchford. Arguably, only Brian Clough would sepand so much money on a proven goal-scorer and play him in midfield, but for most managers the search for finishers continues to inflate the transfer market and the size of headlines devoted to anyone who can regularly find the net from five yards. Thus another established scorer, Wallace, of Coventry City, who obtained 15 goals last season, will be the subject of this week's bidding now that he has asked for a transfer and there will be widespread disappointment among prospective purchasers of Liverpool's Fairclough now that Bob Paisley is obliged to think of him as something more permanent than a "super suh"

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Fairclough has been a victim
rather than a product of Liverpool's deep resources. He made
only three League appearances
last season, and despite scoring
seven goals in his last five
matches, he is still unsure of a secure place, since that would in-volve Mr Paisley in the unlikely dropping of Johnson altogether, perhaps omitting one of his or perhaps omitting one or his valurite middield players. On Saturday Johnson did not play against ipawich Town, whose i—1 draw took them into third place after a remarkable revival in

Fairclough being the Liverpool scorer, the debate over his position continues, but begins to favour his chances. Like Francis before Woodcock's departure to Germany allowed him a permanent place in the forward line, Fairclough has to take his opportunities when they are offered, Francis took his three goals at the right moment on the approach ruad to Forest's next European Cup tie against Dynamo Berlin on Wednesday week. Burns scored a fourth to place Manchester City within the clutches of relegation, along with Everton, who are also proving that money is not everything.

The point that Liverpool drop-

The point that Liverpool dropned restored an element of uncertainty to the championship, because although they have a match in hand, their lead over Man-chester United is only two points. But United's chances remain more mathematical than real, just as their 4—0 victory over Bristol City at Old Trafford was more than the quality of their play de-served.

Served,

Bristol City must be an infuriating team to support. Even a televised, abbreviated glimpse of their approach work showed that they were capable of attractive football, but their finishing was again indifferent. Unfortunately, they cannot afford Wallace and neither can they afford to miss goals. Jordan, with two for United, offered an example in determination.

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Although it now seems inevitable that London will lose two clubs from the second division in Charlton Attictic and Fulham, the first division could gain Chelsea and West Ham United. The claims of West Ham were soundly improved by a 3-1 home win over Leicester City, who were one of the four leading clubs to lose. Chelsea collapsed 3-0 at Briste! Rovers where two spectators were stabbed and many others taken to hospital.

At a moment when righty is At a moment when rugby is finally taking its share of criticism for the violence of some of its players, football continues to inflict harm upon itself by the behaviour of some of its younger players. On one side of the touch the part of the other and in both the contract of the contra line or the other and in both games, the minority still offend the enjoyment of the majority.

West Ham too hot for leaders

There is a new resolution about West Ham United which suggests that they will be blowing buobles all the way into the first division. The West Ham sides of the past were admired for their flair, enterprise and, above all, their sense of fair play; but they often failed through lack of commitment and determination. John Lyall's team are made of sterner stuff, as Leicester City found to their cost in this battle of pro-motion challengers at Upton Park

on Saturday.
West Ham's fierce competitive streak was seen in abundance after Leicester had taken an early lead: not long ago they would have been disheartened by the have been disheartened by the thought that the fates were seeming to conspire against them. Leicester had many lucky escapes but West Ham had the character to keep pressing and they were rewarded with three goals in the last 20 minutes.

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An old West Ham falling—slap-dash marking—was responsible for Leicester going ahead after 10 minutes. Young was allowed to steal in at the tear post whea Smith took a corner and the striker's header flashed past a flashford Parkes.

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Brooking and Devonshire were the aces in West Ham's pack. Once these two sifted players were warmed up, Leicester found the going too hot for them. Brooking, with a raking right-foot drive, and Holland, with a diving header, went agonizingly close, and then O'Neill cleared off the line from Martin. O'Neill came to Leicester's rescue again with another goalline clearance as West Ham continued to sparkle in the second half.

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Pike, a spectacular success, scored the equalizer after 70 minutes with an audacious chip and streen minutes later West Ham took the lead from the best move of the match. Brush and Pike adroitly worked an opening for Devonshire and Cross converted his centre at the second attempt. West Ham were doing almost as they pleased now and Holland, back in the first team after a long absence through injury, made certain of the points by turning Allen's shot past Wallington.

The referee, Brian Stevens, had The referee, Brian Stevens, had a busy match, taking the names of Stewart and Martin of West Ham and Henderson and O'Neill of Leicester. In the closing minutes O'Neill was sent off for tugging at Devoushires shirt, the one blot on a gripping afternoon.

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By John Nicholls
Coventry City 3 Southampton 0
Coventry fully deserved their second beating of Southampton this season when they displayed a blend of skills at Highfield Road on Saturday that the visitors could never match. After a tentative opening the home side gradually settled down and began to find their touch, whereas Southampton played throughout as if seven or eight of the team were suddenly struck by a loss of form.

Their defence was all too easy

Their defence was all too easy to penetrate and was probably lucky to concede only three goals. Even Watson was less than calm and spent much of the afternoon chasing the elusive Thompson. Here was another of the exciting crop of gifted black players who are fast, direct and know what the goal is for.

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He scored twice, once in each half, and was always looking for more. The other goal was well taken by English, who also arranged Thompson's first and was denied a second for himself only by a last-ditch tackle from Waldron. These two central strikers were supported by Hutchison and Hunt on the wings, who kept them well supplied with usable passes.

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Southampton's man passes into the goal area were usually mis-directed, so that by the time the man they were intended for had reached the ball, the chance was gone. Boyer, the first division's leading scorer, hardly had a kick. Channon tried hard as always, but the midfield men were totally undergradable.

the midfield men were totally undependable.

Not so at the other end. After 25 minutes a long free kick by Gillespie was steered through a gap by English. Thompson homed in on it and gave Wells no chance. Southampton had scarcely stopped blaming each other when the ball was in the net again.

Another long pass from Gillespie skimmed over Watson's head and fell precisely into English's stride, and that was that. For his second goal Thompson was unmarked when a cross from Hunt sailed over everyone else in the goalmouth. All he had to do was stoop stightly in order to head the ball into the empty net.

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George was playing again for Southampton, though his countibution was minimal. He delivered three or four exquisitely angled passes in the first half, and headed over the crossbar late in the game when he might have had a consolation goal. Occasionally he broke into a trot, but otherwise he took little part in the action around him.

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Stick in the mud: Cooper stops McDermott's penalty.

May could be merrier than usual this year

By Stuart Jones Liverpool 1 As though it had been rehearsed, Antield's red curtain ruse on the spectacular and fell on the dramatic. Without Liverpool's dramatic. Without Liverpool's complacency, though, interest would have died before the final twist. Ipswich Town, wearing a blue cloak of confidence, wrote themselves back into the script as well as into their club's history books by taking their unbeaten run to 15. Fairclouh started it all. Dalglish,

Faircloub started it all. Dalglish, staying deep to gain freedom, spotted his burst across the area, Fairclough ran on to the pass and casually stroked it past Cooper. It was his seventh goal in 11 days. If the usual substitute is seizing his big chance with embarrassing ease, he missed two more chances in the first 10 minutes with the same ease. Unpredictable is Fairclough.

Predictable, however, was the

clough.

Predictable, however, was the end. Although Ipswich rarely threatened to equalize before they did—five minutes from time—they began slowly to remember their own patterns instead of concentrating on Liverpool's. There lay the plot because McDermott, to cap his 200th performance, threw victory away on the final page.

Liverpool still hold the title in both hands. Only if they relax their grasp can Mauchester United be allowed to rab it. On Saturday's evidence, the biggest danger is in their own minds. They created so many early openings that they mentally relaxed. It was all going to be so easy. to be so easy.

Once that thought appears, it is difficult to make it disappear, although Liverpool's midfield, noticeably Souness and McDer-mott, almost did fade from view. Dalglish did all he could with the

Ipswich 1 Thompson shouted for more effort but his words fell on muddy rather than stony ground. rather than stony ground.

Ipswich, meanwhile, crept in from the background. With their strong Dutch accent in midfield, they began to examine the possibilities on the left. Mariner kept on running and Gates, compared to Keegan by his manager, kept putting spokes in Liverpool's back wheel. Only the referred's final whistie was going to stop them.

Their reward was given to them by Gates. Mills crossed, Butcher raised his 6ft 4in frame and Gates volleyed home. Butcher immediately almost spoilt it. A clumsy challenge on Dalglish was adjudged to be unfair, although Mr Newsome hesitated suspiciously before awarding the penalty. Ipswich protested (Thijssen even threw mud at the ball as it was about to be struck) but McDermott obliged by missing it, anyway.

about to be struck; our acceptance obliged by missing it, anyway. Justice prevailed.

Liverpool's lead is now two points. One more similar performance would make their visit to Old Trafford on May 5 an interesting prospect. Wolverhampton Wonderst Huther among them

ing prospect. Wolverhampton Wanderers, Hughes among them, will not be comfortable hosts tomorrow and nor, needless to say, will Everton on Saturday. The will Everton on Saturday. The race is not over.

Ipswich, for example, has defied reason itself. They entertained Liverpool on October 13 last year and lost 2—1, a result which left them rooted to the foot of the table. Today they are third and looking over at Europe for the sixth time in seven years.

LIVERPOOL: R. Clemence: P. Neal. A. Kennedy, P. Thompson, R. Kennedy, A. Hanson, K. Daiglish, J. Case, D. Fahrelough, T. McDormott, G.

Norwich have had trouble lately

Gray caution takes gloss off Wolves' conquest this out to a colleague—in indus-trial language—that his name was

By Gerry Harrison
Norwich 0 Wolverhampton 4
Norwich City, currently the most
generous of opponents, allowed
Wolverhampton Wanderers to
score four goals, offered them half score four goals, offered them hair a dozen other useful opportunities and drove their manager first to distraction, and then to sileuce. That in itsuff is quite a feat. But any side which concedes 12 goals in its last three home games has some serious defensive problems that even John Bond's words of winder county solve or CVINE. wisdom cannot solve or excuse.

At half time he said: "I'm
torally distilusioned. They are a
shambles." At full time he locked torally distilusioned. They are a shambles." At full time he locked himself in the dressing room with most of the players long enough to need refreshment of beer and sandwiches as another Carrow Road humiliation was analysed. Wolves themselves were hardly wreathed in smiles. They had competed harder and defended better. Yer the gloss was taken off a polished performance with the knowledge that Gray's caution takes him over the dreaded 20 point mark and he could miss the League Cup final against Nottingham Forest in three woeks. The Leitester referee, Peter Reeves, never slow to use pencil and paper, cautioned five players. It was when Gray was pointing

with combinations in the centre of their defence. Against Wolves, Jones and Brown were too often adrift in their understanding and acrift in their understanding and covering. It was not so much a Gray day in the air as a black one on the ground. Richards was too quick and the service from midfield too accurate. In the fifteenth minute Brown brought down the speeding Richards and Hibbitt scored from the pensity spot. Eves collected the second just before half time when Norwich committed another sequence of defensive blunders. Within three minutes of the restart the coursest was null and void. From the kick-off Gray and Hibbitt ran free and Richards scored from six yards. Then Jones began a foul tackle on Daniel outside the area and continued it inside. The referee gave a penalty again and Hibbitt beat the unfortmate Hansbury once more.

NORWICH CITY: R. Hansbury: K. Bond. G. Downs. P. Mendham. R. Frown. D. Jones, S. Goble, K. Reoves. J. Fashanu. G. Paddon. M. Peters. WOLVERHAMPTON WASDEREES. P. Breathaw. G. Paddon. M. Peters. WOLVERHAMPTON D. P. Brackhaw. H. E. Lunner, D. F. Parkt. H. H. W. Carr. A. Gray. J. Richards. Referre: P. Reeves (Leicester). In the fifteenth minute Brown

Lincoln man in Irish party without any Tottenham Hotspur, Arsenal and Nottingham Forest

The new Northern Ireland manager, Billy Bingham, includes Lincoln City's goalkeeper, Eric McManus, in a party of 16 players for training at Coventry and Leicester next mouth as part of his side's preparation for the World Cup qualifying game in Israel on March 26.

McManus, formerly of Notts County and Stoke City, has yet to play for Northern Ireland. Mr Bingham also calls up Paul Dixon of Burnley in a party which is

players because of club commit-ments. PARTY: J. Plant (Middlesbrough).

2. McMenus (Lincoln). T. Cochrane
(Middlesbrough). J. Nicholl.
S. McDroy T. Stoan all Manchester
United). T. O'Noil (Leicester City).
C. Nicholl (Southampion). D. McCreery (Ousers Park Rangers). T.
Castedy (Newcastle United). V. Moreland (Derby County). D. Spence
(Southend United). W. Hamilton, P.
D'xon (both Burnlay). N. Bro-herston
(Blarkburn Rovers). M. Domeshy
(Lulon Town).

Rugby Union

Dodge gives Leicester the vision of another cup win

the holders, seley in the John Plaver dispel an impact need a very them winning ball (so often unobtrusively effective), tactical kicking, support play, solid and knowledgeable defence, and above all, perhaps, a vision of the game which determines the right options—these facets were threaded together to produce as good an all-round performance by a centre as I have seen this season.

And doubts the England selective) Rugby Correspondent

Moseley 7 Leicester 17

Events at The Reddings on Saturday, when the holders, Leicester, beat Moseley in the second round of the John Plaver Cup, did nothing to dispel an impression that it will need a very good side to stop them winning the trophy again. Had they taken all their chances when playing down the slope, they would have buttoned things up by the interval instead of leading by a modest four points, in the third quarter, they had to withstand a revival by the Moseley forwards, with Gifford snorting at their heels and Cooper threatening danger from the back. But Leicester finished as they had begun, in confidence and style, to win by a drop goal, two penalty goals and two tries to a penalty goal and a try. goals and two tries to a penalty goal and a try.

In the first half, on a sunny, spring-like afternoon, Leicester made light of the tacky going to produce an impressive brand of 15-man rugby. Their scrummage held an early edge. The line-out, thanks notably to Joyce, produced unexpected dividends,

There was an unselfish, admirably-judged performance by Cusworth at stand-off, but the star of the show was Dodge. Strength on the break, movement of the

does

Liverpool 12 Bath 19

The power Bath showed in defeating Liverpool by a goal, a try. a drop and two penalty goals to four penalty goals in the second round of the John Player Cup should take them far in the competition. Liverpool's supporters left the St Michael's ground disappointed that their team had been a little below its best, but at peace with defeat in a match of such quality.

A try scored by Bath in the first few minutes set the stage for non-stop action until, in a grand finale, Trick scored the try in injury time which put victory beyond Liverpool's reach. Between these peaks of achievement Liverpool were never so far behind that they lost hope; the half-time margin

were never so far behind that they lost hope; the half-time margin was only three points.

Had Killen's goal-kicking been more predictable, Liverpool could have won. Of the four penalty goals he kicked, one was from the touchline, but in the first half he missed three others from easier positions. This season Killen has scored 271 points.

Defeat, however, would have been an injustice to Bath. Their forwards matched Liverpool's powerful pack, and the team's confidence grew as Horton, the

powerful pack, and the team's confidence grew as Horton, the England fly half, created openings for the gifted three-quarter line. These included Beese, who gained three England caps when he played for Liverpool, and Wyart, who was an international when he played for Bedford. Waterman, the full back, an Oxford Blue in 1974, joined readily and smoothly in attack.

Any doubts the England selec-tors may have had in choosing the courses in the team to play Scot-land, which will be announced tand, which will be amounted tomorrow morning, would have been dispelled by their representation at Moseley, but the English hierarchy was elsewhere. More important in the longer term, it was a performance by Dodge that would have impressed the Lions selectors too. selectors, too,

Had everything gone right for Leicester their half-time lead might have been something between 15 and 20 points. Hare failed with two penalties and a conversion all within his compass from his more faucied side of the posts. Cusworth pulled a drop shot and it needed a unely piece of covering by Jeavons, the Moseley No. 8, to block a scoring pass. However, midway through this period, Joyce won a line-out for Dodge to thrust powerfully through the middle, and an inside pass by the unselfish

remissance up from seemed unkindly rewarded when Hare kicked a penalty from the 10 metres line, and then another, at metres line, and then another, at comfortable range, for what was decreed by Mr Welsby (who had an excellent game) as being late, though certainly not posthumous. Referees in the present climate may be justifiably sensitive in this respect. Perry meanwhile had landed an

Perry meanwhile had landed an easy penalty for Moseley, for whom their flanker. Warren, now seized a try when Hare fumbled a fair service behind a fine-out That made it 10—7 to Leicester, but a slanting run by Cusworth, just when his opponents were expecting him to drop for goal, put in Dodge for the second Leicester try. Moseley's last Chance was blown when Perry missed a very kickable penalty, and then Cusworth, with a typical drop shot behind a scrummage, measured the final score.

MOSELEY: M. Cooper (capialn): R. Smith, A. Watson-Jones, C. Osborne, R. Laird; M. Perry, C. Gifford; J. Moore, G. Cox. K. Aetley, B. Ayre, R. Field, T. Clarke, N. Jeavons, D. Warren

LEIGESTER: W. Harry J. Duggan,
P. Dodge, C. Woodward, T. Burwelli,
L. Cusworth, S. Konney, R. Cowling,
P. Wheeler (captain), S. Redfern, N.
Jovice, A. Harlering, S. Johnson, A.
Collington, I. Smith,
Reteree; A. Welsby (Lancashire).

Late try Another unpalatable result for Welsh to swallow By David Hands London Welsh 15 Rossiya Pk 16 the trick By Tom Cooban Liverpool 12

February has not been kind to February has not been kind to Welshmen in south-west London: nine days ago Wales bit the bullet as they went down by one point to England and on Saturday at Old Deer Park, London Welsh suffered the same indigestible fate in the second round of the John Player Cup as Rosslyn Park, riding the luck which every club ought to have in its centenary season, did just enough to win by a try, three penalty goals and a dropped goal to a goal and three penalty goals.

It was a curious game, In a

penalty goals.

It was a curious game. In a phrenedic first half, when all the points were scored, neither side seemed to have any coherent plan; yet, almost every time either the Park or the Welsh visited their opponents' 22, they screed. It was more like an end-of-season lark with not a hint of the cup's intensity about it, and even Mr Theedon got caught up in it all when Ripley drove off the back of a scrum and enveloped the official in the subsequent maul.

Both the tries came in the first

official in the subsequent maul.

Both the tries came in the first 10 minutes after Bennett had kicked a simple penalty in the first minute as the Welsh opened with easy freedom. Ripley booted on a loose ball from halfway and no one except Tiddy seemed interested in chasing it, the wing

getting the truchdown. Then George latched on to Bennett's kick ahead to send in Oliver at the posts and Bennett converted. Back came the Park with a penalty from Greenhalgh and a dropped goal from Cullen and then Bennett and Greenhalgh swopped penalties twice before half time.

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swopped penalties twice before balf time.

There was a superbly intelligent run by Ripley, quite the best thing of an indifferent second half, but the watch may bave turned on a decision by the referee not to award the Weish a penalty when Greg Rees broke through the defence with Clive Rees free and the try-line looming. Earlier Clive Rees had been penalized for a deliberate knockon in defence: now a Park hand intercepted the pass from Rees to Rees and, the precedent having been established, it looked a good case for a penalty in a very kickable position. None came, and when Bennett's attempted drop goal in the last minute wafted just wide, the Weish knew this goal in the last minute wafted just wide, the Welsh knew this was not to be their day.

LONDON WELSH: G. Rees: M. Tilley. I. George, J. Shankillin, G. Roes; N. Bernott, R. Pritchard; J. Deacon, R. John, W. Davey, C. Howeroft, M. Roberts, K. Bowring (capt). E. Lewis, M. Oliver.

ROSSLYN PARK: N. Anderson: S. Tiddy, J. Thornton, M. Cirechashin, D. McKay; P. Warrield, D. Cullen: L. Bartow, P. Keith-Roach, Icapt). N. Hinton, A. Roogers, P. Acklard, S. Johnson, A. Ribley, N. Manuell.

Referce: J. Theodon (Devon).

Good, clean stuff as Army keep RAF grounded

work, an Oxioro Bine in 1974, joined readily and smoothly in attack.

Wyatt's early try, scored from a pass by Jones, the Bath No 8, after Beese had made the opening, punctured Liverpool's early non-chalance, Killen kicked a penalty, but further attacks brought Bath a goal which Horton dropped when Murphy, the scrumhalf, punted a free kick to him.

With their forwards winning more lineout possession, Liverpool tried hard to score before half time, but could show only another Killen penalty goal for their efforts. After the luterval. open play, at a great pace, failed to break the defences. Liverpool gave away two penalties, which Palmer converted, and then hit back with two by Killen, the second from the left touchline. Liverpool went all out to save the day but the Bath pack's final resurgence enabled Palmer to send in Trick for the coup de grace.

Liverpool: J. Hennian: M. Killen. B. Crigen. T. Woodman. M. Siemea: T. Aakew, G. Jones: P. Robins, P. Dadswell. G. Chubb. J. Hescott. J. McKenn, K. Moss. T. Morris (capti.) D. Murphy: J. M. Moss. T. Morris (capti.) D. Murphy: J. M. Moss. T. Morris (capti.) D. Murphy: J. M. Horron (capti.) D. Murphy: J. M. Fourner, Capti. D. Murphy: J. A. F. Drieg.

Rofere: J. A. F. Trieg. was a touch of class about Lyttollis at centre, and Glean, the Richmond wing. The RAF never became airborne. At times they seemed lackadaisical in general, although Pritchard and Gillingham, in particular, were not.

A'Hearne (no relation of the A'Hearne who came on as a replacement in the RAF side), Glean (two), Lyttollis, Reynolds and Grayden Williams scored the Army's tries, one of which Army's tries, one of which Morgan converted Lymplis made the break for A'Hearne's try and for his own he kunched the ball sky-high into the RAF's 22 and

was waiting for it when it re-turned from space. In that sort of situation the player usually knocks on. Lyttollis was an ex-ception.

final again

By Richard Streeton

Bristol 3 Rees was much more successful

Army 26 RAF 7
There were no punches or kicks at Twickenham on Saturday. Hands and feet were used only for legitimate rugby purposes. The Army, seven of whose team are in the Royal Regiment of Wales, beat the RAF, last season's services champions, by a goal and five tries to a try and a dropped goal and can look forward with confidence to their match against the Royal Navy on March 8.

The Army won more of the hall and put it to better use. They pushed the RAF in the tight and rucked with greater purpose. The difference was equally marked in the back division, where there was a touch of class about Lyttollis at centre, and Glean, the Richmond wing. The RAF never

Rees was much more successful as a runner than as a goalkicker. When he changed the direction of an attack and kicked towards the RAF line, the ball stood up for Glean, who helped himself to his second try. Pritthard dropped a goal with his left foot for the RAF and Seward scored their try after a powerful run by Bate. It was about the only occasion the RAF made appreciable headway.

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Reynolds (REME): Sil J. Morrand
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M. Jenkins (RRW) Capt T. Sinclett
(DWR), Pyt P. Williams (RRW); Capt
J. Bowles (RCT): Sig H. Rundle
(RRW), Col G. Williams (DWR), Col
(REW); CRT, RRW); Cisman A. Rapley
(REWE).

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Gala stake their claim By Isin Mackenzie Gala 22 Jordanbili 0

Gala 22 Jordanhill of At school we were taught to beheve that no game had been won until the final blast of the whistle. Observing that teaching, one hesitares to suggest that Gala are
Scottish clob champions for the
first time since 1932. They have
rwo matches to play: Hawick,
three points behind, have three
matches; the champions, Herlot's,
are a point in front with one game
remaining.

Yet, the manner of Gala's tacti-

remaining.

Yet, the manner of Gala's tactical demolition of Jordanbill at Netherdale on Saturday, a match strangely lacking in ringside enthusiasm because it was so obvious the Glasgow men were outclassed, coupled with the methodic annihilation of most previous opponents, suggest on alternative but the resuggest no alternative but the re-turn of the title to the Borders. Were those not sufficient reas-ons, Gala's remaining games are against their fellow borderers,

Kelso (away), and Melrose (bome). Both are fighting a hard battle to avoid relegation; neither has the power nor the same scent of victory to halt progress. of victory to halt progress.

Gala were 18—0 ahead against Jordanhill well before half-time, and won with almost total belief in their own ability, scoring two goals, a try, and two penalty goals. Dods scored one try, converted one, and kicked a penalty goal. Ledingham scored one to keep his place as Scotland's leading try-scorer and Chiebowski got the third. Brown bicked one conversion and one penalty goal.

version and one penalty goal. Gala: P. Dods. D. Ledmann. G. Halliday, C. Gass. V. Chichowski. A. Rrown, D. Eryscon: J. Allern (can la'nı, K. Lawrie, R. Cunnanham, T. Smith, K. MacArley, J. Borinhamasen D. Leslie, G. Dickson. JORDANHILL: W. Irskine: M. McFarinne, J. Stewart, A. Dougall, A. Armstrone; I. Taylor, A. Reid: J. McLauchian, M. Brown, H. Camnboll W. Wyroslawski, I. Gray, D. Neilaon J. Dévon (capialn) G. Marshan, Referree A. Hosie (Glasgow).

Rowan named for first cap

By Isin MacKenzie
Scotland have been forced to
change the side chosen to play
Wales in Cardiff next Saturday and
further changes may be necessary.
Isin Milne, the Pieriot's prop. has
a groin injury and Norrie Rowan,
of Boroughmin, is awayied his a groin injury and Norrie Rowan, of Boroughmuir, is awarded his first cap. After yesterday's training session at Murrayfield, Milne announced he was unfit.

There are other worries. The stand-off balf. John Rutherford (Selkirk), did not train aftertaking a knock on Saturday and is a doubtful starter, likely to be replaced by Ron Wilson (London Scottish). In addition the winger Steve Munro (Ayr) is recovering from influenza

The place left vacant on the refrom influenza

The place left vacant on the re-The place jett vacant on the re-placements' bench when the party was announced last week has gone to Alex Brewster, the Stewart's-Melville flanker dropped after the French match.

Rugby Union results

Coventry are caught on the wrong tack

By Richard Streeton
By far the closest finish among
Saturday's eight John Player
second-round cup ties came at
Coventry where Gloucester won
10—9 with a freak dropped goal
in the fourth minute of injury
time. From a line-out between
the 22 and 10-metre lines. Brian
Russell, the Gloucester stand-off,
mistimed what was the game's last Russell, the Gloucester stand-off, mistimed what was the game's last lick. "The ball still fiew lowish to hit both posts and somehow wobbled over the crossbar", according to John Butler, a Coventry official. Coventry's forwards were just managing to hold out against late Gloucester pressure before Russell's dramatic score.

There were other irritations for Coventry, too, with an anonymous

sure before Russell's dramatic score.

There were other irritations for Coventry, too, with an anonymous telephone call before the start stating that carpet tacks had been scattered on the pitch. Supporters helped clear these. Later a spectator ran away without being caught after he threw some broken glass on the field. There was no obvious explanation for these incidents unless they were belated demonstrations against the visit of the South African Barbarians to Coundon Road last October.

Harlequins, with a 23—6 win at Nottingham, were the round's biggest winners. They played sound, efficient football on a heavy pitch. Bushell landed two. good penalty goals early on and Nottingham, 13—0 down at helf-time, gradually ran out of steam. Nottingham often attempted the more ambitious football but handling mistakes and good tackling kept them in check.

Rossiyn Park, London Scottish and London Irish also won, and long odds would surely have been available at Christmas against London providing half the teams in the third round.

Victory took London Irish into the last eight for the first time. Gosforth and Rosslyn Park are in today's draw at this stage for the fifth time. Gloucester and Leicester for the fourth. In this esasons of the competition, certain clubs have already established a definite cup tradition.

In the Weish Cup, sponsored by Schweppes, Bridgend, the holders, provided the surprise of Sanurday's fourth round matches by beating Pontypool 27-6. Without three first choice forwards, Bridgend had hardly been expected to win, let alone succeed by such an emphatic margin. Llangli beat Pontypridd 16—3 with Phil

Bridgeud had hardly been expected to win, let alone succeed by such an emphatic margin. Llangli beat Pontypridd 16—3 with Phil Bennett, playing only his third game after a knee ligament operation, directing things tactically and Quinnell confirming his match fitness after recent groin trouble. There were no further giant-killing acts from Bedwax In the semi-final draw for the Welsh Cup, made yesterday, Newport meet Swansea and Llanelli face Bridgend. The games, to be played on March 29, will be at neutral venues.

Gosforth could be bound for By Richard Streeton

Gestorth 14 Gosforth 14
Gosforth, keeping strictly within their Unitations, retained a
firm grip on Bristol's slightly
more enterprising approach at the
Memorial Ground on Saturday in
a John Player Cup tie. It was
functional rugby rather than flair
which brought Gosforth's win by
two tries and two penalty goals
(14 points) against a penalty
(ttree) and it was tactical thinking that might yet take them to
Twickenham once again for the
final.

A strong, industrious set of

A strong, industrious set of forwards subdued the Bristol pack after some initially tense exchanges; Young at scrum-half risked little in the way of adventure; and the Gosforth covering and tackling left no openings. Bristol's own mistakes contributed to their downfull and Gosforth lat and tackling left no cpenings. Bristol's own mistakes contributed to their downfall and Gosforth let no opportunities slip. In other words, and not least on a muddy pitch, Gosforth looked and behaved like a good cup team.

Butler and Short both had fine matches at the lineaut for Gosforth and White, the prop. did outstanding work. Breakey, a Scottish international stand-off, played his part in the centre and Gustard was splendid in defence. For Bristol Rater and Troughton were prominent in the pack; Morley and Carter were brave runners with unfulfilled ambitions; and Hignell's touch-finding was impressively sure.

After Johnson and Sorrell kicked penalties. Gosforth led seven-three at the interval after Patrick from full back had conjured a try with a lengthy run, involving two kicks abead, for McMillan finzilly to score. Later Young kicked a penalty and McDowell scored a try. This came after Breakey interrepted a pass from a Bristol movement and ran 50 metres. It was that sort of afternoon for Eristol and proved the final straw in terms of polse and hope.

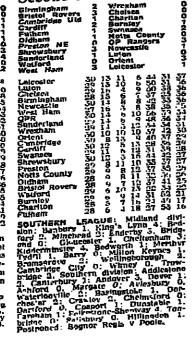
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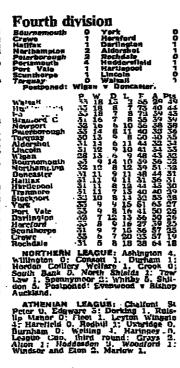
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Howarth refuses to be

put off by incident

Christchurch, Feb 24—A new type of incident was added to this winter's long list here today when the West Indies team refused to take the field on time after the man interval on the third day of the second Test against New Zealand. The umpires walked out to resume the match but they stood alone for ten minutes until Clive Lloyd led his players on to the Lancaster Park grounds.

It was only after discussions

It was only after discussions between West Indies' manager, Willie Rodriguez, and the chairman of the New Zealand cricket board, Bob Vance, that the team emerged from their locked dressing room.

Mr Rodriguez said after the close of play that the delayed appearance was a private team problem. Radio and television commentators said earlier that, according to unofficial sources, the West Indians were appreciated.

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One stroke shead of 'everyone's favourite

From Ivor Davis
Los Angeles, Feb 24
Bob Cilder, a successful but not spectracular protessional from Correlles, Oregon, goes into today's final round of the \$250,0000 Gien Campbell Los Angele: Open one stroke ahead of Tom Walson, Much to everyone's surprise, Gilder, with three subper rounds of 10, 66, 68 giving him a nun-underpar 204 for 54 boles, led everyone's favourite, Walson, Bull Sander and Don major trailed two shots behind fider. The United States Open Campion, Male Irwin, kept in the running with 209.

Gilder shot his way round the 9,029 of Riviera Country Clab course in glorious spring-like sunshine yesterday after a week of runstorms without putting a five on his storecard. He had birdies at all three par five holes and sundante yesterday after a week of rainstorms without putting a five on his scorecard. He had birdies at all three par five holes and placed the other 15 holes in par. Watson, who started the third round one stroke alread of Gider, the veteran January and Sander, led most of the day until he dropped a stroke at the last hole for a 70 to leave Gilder alone at the top. January and Sander had matching 76s to share third place. Gilder and Watson rate Riviera as one of their favourite courses and both hove come close to winning

one of their favourite courses and both have come close to unning the tournament in the past.

"I will be nervous when I tee wolf today". Gifder admitted: "and that will proofily be good for me. Usually I am a little flat. It's not a matter of trying to beat Tom. You don't play the man, anyway, you play the course. No matter how hard you play, how hard you concentrate, you can't do anything about it if he makes more birdles than you do."

Gifter did not know he was the samele leader until he reached the ciumouse and saw the scores on ciubocuse and saw the scores on a TV moriter "At first I thought Tom was walking away with it Watson had birdies at three of the first seven holes and haid a three-shot lead at one point; then I quit looking ".

Owen holds a

doomwatch

on his rivals

Adelaide, Feb 24.—Simon Owen, he New Zealand World Cup

Addition Field 14.—Simon Owen, the New Zealand World Cup Ame privar, wetched his rival land that and a one-streke victory in the Sand South Australian Open champion-land it Kooyenga here today. The conference and even-par round for 12 for a three-time-rar winds, and 12 forman, the overnight leader, and 12 forman, the overnight leader, and 12 forman and 12 form

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Watson: failed to drive away shadows from sunny Riviera.

Gilder's round had a solid monotonous look to it, routine pers except for the par fives. At the first hole (506yd) he hit a fittee-wood second to the back of life green and took two putts from 35ft for his birdie. At the eleventh (559yd) and seventeenth (613yd) he hit sand wedges for his third shot both times and made a birdle putt of 8ft on the former green and one of 18ft on the latter.

Walson came up short at five Watson came up short at five heles by misclubbing or mishitting shots. Riviera's ninth and eighteenth heles proved his undoing the dropped a stroke on both. On the 419yd minth Watson's tee shot rolled into the rough and a chunk of mud stuck to the ball at the point of impact. At the 454vd eighteenth, which is rough, uphill going leading to the clubhouse, Watson pushed his

Change of style

Sarasota, Florida, Feb 23.—The American, Joanne Carner, birdied the final two holes to tie with Sandra Post (Canada) today for the lead after three rounds of a Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) tournament here.

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Mrs Carner's round of 68, coupled with earlier rounds of 72 and 71, gives her a five-under-par 111 total along with Miss Post.

The 68 was the lowest round of the day over the 6.206-yard course.

Mrs Carner, who has won 26 tides since qualifying for the LPGA circuit in 1970, said: "I hit the ball on the practice tee as had as I've ever hit it—not one single good shot". She credited the change in her round to a technical adjustment she made on the first tee.

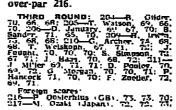
first tee.
Miss Post, who shared the lead going into today's play with the Argentine. Silva Bertolaccini, recorded her second straight 7P.

gives Mrs

Carner a lift

commentators said earlier that, according to unofficial sources, the West Indians were angry because one of the umpires, Fred Gooddall, had not given the New Zealand captain, Geoff Howarth, out caught of Garner when he was 68. Howarth went on to finish the day unbeaten on 141, his highest Test score, with New Zealand, who are 1—0 up in the three-match series, strongly placed at 248 for four in reply to West Indies' first inmings total of 228. "We did not discuss any of the decisions. It is a private problem and once it is solved there will be more details", Rodriguez added. He refused to confirm or deny that a request had been made for an umpire to be replaced, although he said the attinute of the West Indies' players after tea reflected their feelings. A very slow over-rate and four successive bouncers by Holding to Howarth and wide deliveries culminated in Croft being jeered by the crowd as he slowly made his way back to his mark.

"Our problem will be resolved Peter Oosterhuis, of Britain, was 12 strokes behind the leader after his best round, a one-under-par 70. Out of the running, he stays in the tournament with a three-



Torrance has to be content with second

Puerro Azul, Feb 24.—Lu Hsi-Chuen, of Taiwan, scored a 71 for a seven-over par total of 257 to win the Philippine Open tourna-ment, first leg of the Asian circuit, here today. Lu. aged 27, collected \$16.600 for his fourth major tournament success on the circuit since he turned professional last since he turned professional last

since he turned professional last year.
Sam I-brance, of Britain, and Rudy Livites (Philippines) were ned in second place, two strokes behind. They each received \$3,680. The South African, Gary Player, who halped design the C. Salvage. who helped design the 6,794-yard seaside course south of Manila, finished fourth on 201. finished fourth on 201.

Formace led by four strokes after the third round. The Scot, aged 26, had four bogeys in his round of 70 for a two-over-partotal of 212, but he made up for these lapses with an eagle on the 558-vard fourth hele and birdles on the seventh and 15th holes. In the last round, however, Torrance collapsed under strong pressure. He carded a 43 on the from nine but returned with a 34 for a final round of 77. He refused to blame the course, described by other players as tricky, parily because of unpredictable winds,

SCORES: 287—Lu Hsi Chuen

"Our problem will be resolved between now and Tuesday morning when the game ressumes", Rodrignez went on. "I do not think we have lost control of the Test, or anything." Mr Vance, who was called into discussions with Mr Rodriguez after the incident, said: "We will wait for the reports of the umpires and the match manager before taking any action, if action is necessary". Total 14 WRIST 1-15, 2-48 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-18, 3-35, 4-75, 175, 175, 18-4-37-1; Holding, 12-5-6-1; Carrier, 18-4-57, 30-0, Router, 63-1; King, 5-1-30-0, Router, 8, J. Radge, 1 W. K. Lees, G. B. Troup, S. L. Boock to bat. -Reuter, Reuter, -Reuter, Australians make Bright

start to their tour Rawalpindi, Feb 24.-The slow overs, but the pair survived with-Rawalpindi, Feb 24.—The slow left-arm bowler. Ray Bright, almost carried the Australians to victory in their opening tour match against the Pakistan Cricket Board President's XI here today. Having taken five for 93 in the President's XI first innings of 209 for seven declared, Bright again ripped through their batting aed collected a further six for 29. But Bright's effort was not enough and the effort was not enough and the last pair, Tariq Wahab and Ehteshamuddin, clung on to force a draw with the score 81 for nine

"Our problem will be resolved

Australia started the third and final day at 27 for two in their second innings. Sparkling innings by Laird (67), Beard (64 not out) and Border (46 not out) led to a declaration by the captain, Hughes, at 203 for five, which set the President's XI a winning target of 218.

The first six President's XI wickets fell with only 75 runs on the board and from then on it was a rearguard action. An Aus-SCORES: 287—Lu Hsi Chuen
(Taiwan) 76, 70, 70, 71; 289—
S. Torrance [GB 71, 71, 70, 77, R. Wahab in the 15th of the 20 extra

out adding a run.

The President's XI first innings on the second day had been bolstered by an impressive S2 from Azmat Rana, who helped his team to a first innings lead of 14. Bright had Fana strunged by March and had Rana stumped by Marsh and he also claimed the useful wicket of Hassan Jamil who made the second best score of the innings

WEST INDIES: First Innings
L. Haynes, c. Parker, b. Radlee
G. Greenidge, c. Boock, b. Troup
C. Rowe, L. L. King, b. Calras
L. King, b. Calras
L. Kallicharan c. Wright,

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c Howarth, b
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L. Murray, C Webb, b Calrus
J. L. Murray, C Webb, b Calrus
M. E. Roberts, not out
Garner, c sub, b Calrus
A. Moldings, 1-b-w, b Hadice
E. H. Croft, b Hadice
Extra 1b 1, 1-b 9, n-b 4)

with 40.

The Australians had taken the first three wickets for 47 before being checked by a determined fourth wicket stand of 72 between Rizwanuz Zaman and Rana. Bright broke the stand by bowling Zaman and when he dismissed the captain, Aftab Baloch, the President's side were 147 for five. dent's side were 147 for five. AUSTRALIA: 223 (R. W. Marsh 52, Allah Baloch 1 for 51) and 205 for 5 dec (B. Laird 67, G. Beard 64 not out) PRESIDENT'S XI: 206 for 7 dec Azmat Rana 82 R Bright 3 for 93; and 81 for 9 (Bright 6 for 29). PERTM: Shefffeld Shield: Second day. Queensland, 330 for 9 dec; Vestem Australia, 259 for 3 (G. Shipperd 104).

Squash rackets

Outsider shows best form so far

Nearly three bours' play was lost yesterday and when New Zealand resumed today at 15 for no wicket, they were soon in trouble. Wright and Webb went for the addition of only three runs and Edgar fell to Holding at 53.

Then came a magnificent 122-run stand between Howarth and Parker which was not broken until 10 minutes before tea, when Parker was bowled by Garner for 42. Howarth was 99 at the break but reached his fifth Test century off the first ball he received afterwards, hooking Holding fine for four. Runs came easily for Howarth and Coney in the final session, as the West Indians bowled wide of the stumps, and their stand was worth 73 by the close. Margaret Zachariah, of Melbourne, whose squash rackets
future was imperilled when she
seriously damaged her right foot
two years ago, has emerged as a
strongly fancied outsider for the
British women's championship at
the Coral Squash Club, Hove. Torn
ligaments demanded an operation
on Miss Zachariah's heel but she
has regained all her former quickness and seems to be playing
better than ever. This second
phase of her career must be
regarded as a bouns—and she is
grarefully determined to make the
most of it.
The sponsors, Pretty Polly, have

The first Test, which New Zealand won by one wicket, was also affected by controversy, when Parker faced a ball from Holding which ended in the gloves of the wicketkeeper, Murray. The umpire, John Hastle, turned down a unanimous appeal by the fielding side, whereupon Holding walked up the pitch and kicked two stumps out of the ground. Haynes, who was hominated barman of the match, was the only West Indian to appear at the after-match presentation. most of it.

The sponsors, Pretty Polly, have embellished the premises with posters suggesting that their hosters "brings back lovely legs". At the beginning of the championship the legs came in 57 varieties, but they have been reduced to eight pairs and it is unasually difficult to predict which pair will wear the trousers in Thursday's Hual. Miss Zacharlab is seeded only fifth but, so far, has been more impressive The pairings for today's

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The pairings for today's
quarter-final round are: Susan
Cogswell v Jayne Ashron, Lesley
Moore v Miss Zachariah, Susanne
King v Vicki Hoffman (a repetition of the 1978 final, which Mrs
King wont and Barbara Diggens v
Angela Smith, who had to come
from behind yesterday to beat the
15th seed, Lesley Chapman, of
Victoria. Miss Zachariah, Mrs
King and Miss Hoffmann are
Australians, the rest British.
On Saturday there should have Australians, the rest British.

On Saturday there should have been two seeding upsets. Felicity Hargreaves could not maintain her admirable form quite long enough to finish off Barbara Oldfield, but Martine Le Moignan, aged 17, of Guernsey, easily beat the eighth sted, Teresa Lawes, who was far from her best form. Miss Le Moignan, one of a bevy of British youngsters who are making exciting progress, yesterday took Miss Ashton to five games but was then overpowered—as she had been in the first two games by a player with more punishing shots.

Throughout the day there were encouracing dividends for shotmakers because the organizers had insisted on cool playing conditions. One statistical note provides a comment on squash as it is Total of wickers 1—1. 2—28, 3—28, 3—190, 5—190, 6—310, 7—210, 8—214, 9—222, 10—228, 10—228, 10—228, 10—228, 10—228, 10—228, 10—228, 10—228, 10—228, 10—238—1; Calras, 32—8—65—6; Coney, 12—3—33—6. SS-6; Cohey, 13-33-0.

NEW ZBALAND: First imings
G. Wright, b Groff
A. Edgar c Murray, b Holding 21
N. Webb, b Roberts
G. P. Howarth, not out 151
M. Parker, b Garner 42
V. Conry, not out 42
V. Conry, not out 18

Chanman 6—9, 9—4, 7—9, 9—2, 9—1, 5—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—10, 6—1

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Mexico altitude takes its toll on Americans

Mexico, Feb 24.—John McEnroe and Peter Fleming beat Raai Ramirez and Marcelo Lera in a doubles march lasting nearly five hours yestorday to give the United States an ambeatable 3—0 lead over Mexico in their best-of-five matches for the North American zone Davis Cup final.

McEnroe and Fleming, ranked the world's best pair, subdued the fighting Mexicans 6—3, 6—1, 10—12, 4—6, 6—2 to give the United States their brensy third victory in 26 meetings against Mexico.

In the opening singles marches 4-6, 4-5, 6-2, 6-1 and Cierc defeating Kirmayr 4-6, 2-6, 8-6, 6-3, 7-5 it has been for from the one-sided affair forecast by the incal press, with the Brazilians putting up a man c struggle. by the mean press, what it is structed.

Both pairs started nervously in the first set with Clerc, Kuch and Vilas dropping their services in the second, third and fourth games. Vilas also dropped he again in the eighth to put Brazil 6—2 ahead.

Braziliam rushes to the net ensetued the Argentine power kame, but Kuch finally serviced out to give his opponents the second set 9—7. A turrential dewapour decrupted the third, although the match was played in the index Sirio courts. Play was stopped for half on hour while cleavers morped up the chowers of water that fell through leaks in the most that tell through leaks in the most that tell through leaks in the most that the first was the longest duel in the third set, with Clerc the only one to lose service in the lett game of the set. Vilas, who doubte-faulted frequently through the night, coexided another service to the Brazilians in the final set. In the opening singles markers McEnroe bear Ramirez 6-4, 6-4, 6-3 and Vitas Gerulaitis overcame Lara 6-1, 6-2, 5-7, 6-2. The results of the switchover singles will no longer have any bearing on the final outcome. bearing on the final outcome.

The United States, attempting flieir third consecutive Davis Cup, will meet the winner of the Sauth American zone figal between Argentina and Brazil. The partnership of Carlos Kirmayr and Themas Koch kept alive Brazil's hopes of winning this when they bear Guillermo Vilas and Jose Luis Clerc 6-2, 7-9, 12-10, 6-3 in the doubles event.

In the opening singles the favoured Argentines went two up with Vilas beating Koch 6-3, meet the United States.—Reuter.

Amritraj finds the path to the final without trouble

The uninspired American scored only four points in the first five games of the second set as Amritraj at one stage ran off 13 consecutive points. Dibbs salvaged the sixth game, holding serve before Amritraj won it in the seventh game.

The world's number one player, Borg eased by Romania's life Nastase, 6—1, 6—4. Borg qualitied for the final yesteday with his win over Jimmy Connors. He has only dropped one set all week, which was to Amritraj is the second set of their match in the opening session of play on Tuesday.

Salisbury, Maryland, Feb 23.—
Vijay Annitraj of India beat Eddie Dibbs 6—2, 6—1 today to advaboe to the five-set final against Bjora Borg (Sweden) in the Borg's serve in the second game. But when a close basiline call at break point in the third game went against him, Comport's conceptation unravelled and Borg art from Dibbs to qualify for the final. When he won the opening set, breaking serve in the second and eighth games, Dibbs all but surrendered.

The unique final American Entry's way. Connect indicated

number of baseline calls that went Borg's way. Comons todicared that he might withdraw from the tournament. He did so again in his fifth round match with John Alexander (Australia) but was persuaded back during the second game of the first set. He went on to win 6—3, 6—1 but the success of Amritraj kept him out of the firal.

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In the fourth round, Borg had beaten Connors, 6—3, 6—1. Upset throughout the match by the

McLeod to help England

When England defend their world cross-country team title in Paris on March 9 they will be lifted by the inclusion of the Elswick Harrier, Mike McLeod Rusally only people who have competed in the English championships are picked but McLeod asked to be considered, although he was still training in New Zealand for the Glympics. McLeod won the English title last year.

The winner for the first time in

The winner for the first time ir the championship at Western Park, Leicester, on Saturday was Bris-rol's Nick Rose. He finished over 19 seconds clear after breaking away halfway through the nine-Rose had no hesitation in accept-

Doncaster programme

TEAM: Seniors N. Rose, K. Naston, S. Kenyon, D. Smilh, N. L. Les, E. Ford, i. Gones, at. Teach, P. Ethat., M. McCode, J. Les, C. Les,

Monksfield's superb trial sends his odds tumbling

Dublin, Feb 24 After spending weeks in the middiness, the champion hurdler, Monksheld, stormed back into the Modksfield, stormed back into the limelight at Leepardstown on Saturday when he finished second to Twinburn, in the Erin Foods Hurdle, Giving 100b to the winner and only just succumbing in the last 50 yards, this performance was as different as chalk from cheese to that last inept effort at Natam in December, when his Navan in December, when his hones of wanting the champion-snip for a third time looked

Following exhaustive tests which hispanosed a bad blood count, rets finally got to the root of the problem and Monksfield's trainer. Des McDonogh, was soon saying that his horse should not be written off and that all would be well come Cheltenham. Those who well come Cheltenham. I nose was scoffed at his words could only feel choked at their attitude on Saturday as Monksfield ran what was arguably the best Champion Burdle trial to date.

That he did not actually win in the end mattered not. Looking a picture of health and vitality, yet looking nevertheless as though a race would do him a power of good, he had just the sort of race that his traitier could have only envisaged in his dreams. No wonder, after Pollardstown's fall at Wincanton two days earlier, and the continuing saga of Sea rigeon's mistoriume the is lame once again), everyone was queueing up to get on Monkstield to retain the championship afterwards. Yesterday, Hills had his price as low as 7 to 4, but you could still get 2 to 1 with Corals. By the end of this week, his price could well be even shorter. In winning Saturday's race, although admittedly he was in receipt of 10lb. Twinburn certhat he could be placed in this

Hempton Park results

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From an Irish Correspondent vear's Champion Hurdle. Prince Rowan, who finished third, should help to sort the wheat from the chaff among the English four-year-olds when he runs in the Victor Ludorum Hurdle at Haydock Park Ludorum Hurale at Hayuota Para Beat Saturday. Unfortunately the four-year-old form here was not clarified after-wards in the Stillorgan Hurdle, hecause Batchacre Hall and This Song For You, did not take on Torenaga for various reasons. As a result Turenaga won more or

a result, Torenaga won more or less as he pleased, and looking alread to Chettenham, we were none the wiser, except that he is well. Pleased as his trainer Edward O'Grady must have been Edward O'Grady must have been with this outcome, he can only have been appalled later in the day, when his Gold Cup hope, Jack of Trumps, ran so abysmally in the Harold Clurke Leopardstown Steeplechase. Jack of Trumps has been struck off the betting hoards and it would take a miracle to restore him to favour

Ballyross at least fared better, but he does not look like a potential winner of the Gold Cup, although he will take his chance in

that winner of the Gold Cup, although he will take his chance in the hope that his owner's luck will rub off. Ballyross is now owned by Anne. Duchess of Westminster, who has seen her colours carried successfully in the Gold Cup by both the legendary Arkle and Tea Up.

Still on the Gold Cup front, I learnt yesterday that plans for the second favourite, Silver Buck, have now been revived. Originally he was due to run in the Sean Graham Steeplechase at Hereford next Saturday. Now he looks like carrying top weight in the Doormouse Handicap Steeplechase at Haydock Park on the same afternoon, provided that the ground is not heavy. This will enable Tony Dickinson's stable jockey, Tommy Carmoudy, to be at Haydock to ride Cavity Hunter as well in the valuable Greenall Whitley Steeplechase.

2,45: 1. Sparkle's Choice (100-30); 2. Sunafally (7-4 (av), 3, Pongee Boy (53-1), 8 ran 13:-11, 8 ran

3:15: 1. Calola Prince (13:1): 2.
Warren Gorge (8:1): 5. Kind Midda
((6:1). Twinacre 4:14 ray, 18 ran.

5:45: 1. Siav-Soil (11:1): 2.
Tanoles Bruber (7:1): 5. Mark Renry
(2:1: Met Tomato 5:4 fav. 6 ran.

4,15: 1. Indian Brave (5:4 fav. 2.
Come To Hand (7:2): 5. Cee Beauty
(16:1): 10 ran.

Stratford-on-Avon

1 50 1. Flurry Knor (4-3 Jav); 2. Wareath (7-1); 3. Quarto (3-1). 12 Jan 2.0: 1. The Baker (7-2): 3 So And So (3-1): 3. Tanora (11-4 fav), Fig. 1. Princely Mark 10-11 [50: 2. Birssed Boy (12-1): 3, Ocean Fatrol (5-1: 6 ran. 4.0. 1. Jakarco (4-1) fav.; 2. Frolish Hero (7-2): 7. Pamkins Hart (25-1): 7 ran NR. Landford Lady, My Sylvia.

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2.15 WISBOROUGH GREEN CHASE (Handicap: £1,668: 31m)

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O01-203 The Merb, Mrs. D. Gughton, 5-11-3 R. R. Evans

3.15 ITCHENOR HURDLE (Handicap: amateurs: £1,408: 2m 1f)

2.45 NATIONAL SPIRIT HURDLE (£3,980: 2m 1f)

n-1 Queen's Music, 3-1 Le Pretendant n-1 Selwa; Union Blattop, 12-1 Bit Bent, 16-1 Keynsham, 20-1 others.

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would be the Victor Ludorum Hurdle, which we have come to regard as the second leg of neurysar-olds championship. Margard as the contract of neurysar-olds championship. Margard as the contract of neurysar-olds championship. Margard as the second leg of neurysar-olds championship. Margard as the contract of neurysar-olds championship. Margard as the second leg of neurysar-olds championship. Margard as the contract of neurysar-olds champ

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H. Jenkins 7

Without ever looking like beating Father Delaney, Approaching rau well enough to justify his presence in the field for the Gold Cup, but the same could not be said of Royal Mail, who was beaten before they reached the straight. Diamond Edge is now down to 6—4 for the Gold Cup with Hills. After watching Gay George romp away with the St James's Novices, Hurdle, Diamond Edge's trainer, Fulke Walwyn, assured me that his horse was in excellent fettle after his victory at Wincanton two days earlier. And he seemed coofident of winning the Gold Cup for the fifth time in his long and distinuished career.

in his long and distinuished career.
Finally, after having had only the briefest of glimpses on television of Monisheld running in Ireland, I can only endorse everything that our Irish Correspondent says. Following that performance, the little horse must have a marvallous charte of virging the performance. relious chance of winning the Champion Hurdle again and thus emulating Hatton's Grace, Sir, Ken and Persian War, who were the only horses to win it three times.

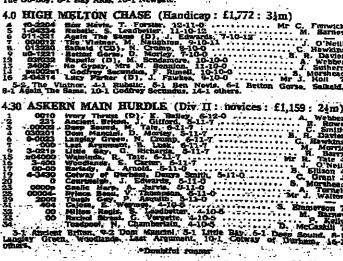
STATE OF GOING (official); Donces-ter, good to soft (straight), soft (round course); Fontwell Park, heavy; To-morrow; Newton Abbott, heavy; Hun-tingdon, soft.



By Our Racing Staff 2.0 Political Pop. 2.30 Murray's Gift. 3.0 Mountain Hays. 3.30 Mayhem. 4.0 Ben Nevis. 4.30 Deep Sound. Fontwell Park selections

By Our Racing Staff 1.45 Scarlet Emperor. 2.15 Tuffnut Prince. 2.45 Snowtown Boy. 3.15 Queen's Music. 3.45 Pipe Band. 4.15 Royal Admiral. 4.45 Dubois.

2.0 ASKERN MAIN HURDLE (Div I: novices: £1,185: 21m) 02f210 Rag Robin, R. Tale. 7-12-0 ... Mr R. Tale
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Oo Gunsarith, G. Richards, 7-11-7 ... Brooke
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Los Arcos, W. Wright, 7-11-7 ... Mr F. Cruse
40-00 Political Popt, A. Dickinson, 6-11-7 ... T. Carnard
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Development schemes make return

New developments of any size have been comparatively few recently, but now several are in the offing. European Ferries is to carry out a mixed scheme worth about £13.8m at 8/10 Crosswall, London EC3.

The scheme, designed by Joseph and Partners, will provide 63,000 sq ft of airconditioned offices, two ground floor shops, five flats, 10,800 sq ft of restaurant, a managing and five course. gymnasium and five squash courts. Agreement has been reached for the completed freehold investment to be bought by the Central Fund of the Gas Staff Pension

The fund was advised by Weatherall, Green and Smith, which is sole letting agent In Cardiff, the Heron Cor-and project management is poration has recently com-

Selway Bamber and Partners. Construction is expected to start soon, with completion in June, 1981. Letting will be on a lease of 25 years with five-yearly reviews

views.
Demolition of the Victorian warehouse on the site en-abled an archeological team from the London Museum to rom the London Museum to reveal part of the original Koman city wall. This will be left exposed in the basement of the development.

A tender of between £5.5m and £6m submitted by Arunbridge on behalf of clients of Artoc Bank and Trust of Nassau. Bahamas, has been

Nassau, Bahamas, has been accepted by the Department of the Environment and the Greater London Council for redevelopment of the Effra site next to Vauxhall Bridge. The site, named after a small river, covers 5.8 acres and has a frontage to the Thames.

Edward Erdman and Co advised on the tender and has been appointed sole agent for the development. Arunbridge, whose managing director is Mr Ronald Lyon, will be responsible for the development and project management of the scheme. This is planned to be a mixed development of about 650,000 sq ft, of which a large proportion will be offices, with the remainder comprising

residential and amenity uses. In Cardiff, the Heron Cor-

pleted a large scheme at South Gate House, opposouth Gate House, opposite the main railway station. The building provides about 98,000 sq ft of offices, of which 30,000 sq ft have already been leased to the Department of the Environment, and out to we 2,500. ment, and just over 2,500 sq ft to Rank Xerox.

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It is built in two blocks, one of 11 and the other of 13 storeys. The remaining 65,500 sq fr is available for letting through Edward Erdman and Co, of London, and Powell and Powell, of Cardiff. Rents of about £4.50 a sq ft are expected.

are expected.

Work is beginning in Mansfield, near Nottingham, on a shopping centre costing about £1.5m. The scheme is being carried out by the Viking Property Group, and the centre will be in the town's main trading area giving on to Westgate and next to the Four Seasons shopping and Littlewoods

It will contain about 20,000 sq ft of retail space in three units, which have been pre-let to K Shoes. Wakefield Stores (Midlands) and the Donald MacPherson Group. The site is within the Market Square conservation area and the scheme has been designed to blend with other frontages.

Building is expected to be completed by Christmas, with the centre open for trad-



South Gate House, Cardiff, 65,500 sq ft available at £4.50 a sq ft.

ing by March next year.

Design is by T. H. Thorpe and Partners, of Derby, and the agents for Viking were Molyneur Rose of Lorder

20 acres, near the centre of be known as the Forbury Industrial Park. It will be project-managed on behalf out an industrial develop of the trust by Markham Molyneux Rose, of London, and Neales, of Nottingham.

The British Petroleum

ment at a cost of about £16m, which includes more than £4m paid for the site.

Pension Trust has bought the The development will pro-ranging in size from 2,500 ning permission has been former Associated Biscuits vide more than 450,000 sq ft sq ft up to 9,000 sq ft. The obtained for a warehouse and site, which extends for about of industrial space and will first units are expected to be industrial scheme of 70,000

ham Developments, and Debenham Tewson and Chinnocks, who represented the trust, are letting agents. Campbell Gordon of Reading has been instructed jointly the pension fund in the forther pension fund in the forther pension. in the letting of the nursery units. Hillier Parker May and Rowden acted for Associated Biscuits.

The site was that of the original Huntley and Palmers year. factory where biscuit pro-duction was carried out from about 1851 until 1977, when all production of the Associa-

years on a site of 4.3 acres on the Walworth Industrial

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ready in the spring, 1981 and tenants' specific requirements can be met on the remainder of the site.

Eric G. V. Hives and Sons is the architect and the main contractor is J. M. Jones and Sons of Maidenhead. Jones Lang Wootton, acting on behalf of Markham Developments, and specific requirements and tenants' specific requirements are for fixed for fixed principle, with two facing terraces. It is hoped that the design will attract larger space users, but sufficient flexibility has been retained for smaller lettings with units from 6,000 sq ft. Terms have been agreed for the forward funding of the scheme with

ward funding, and Pearsons of Basingstoke. Work on the £950,000 building contract is beginning, and completion is due towards the end of the

The Cadbury-Schweppes Pension Fund has paid about £1.5m for a long leasehold all production of the cost ted Biscuits group was transferred to Liverpool and Edinburgh. The warehouse covers about 114,000 sq ft and warehouse investment at Bermondsey.

Another but smaller scheme is taking place in Andover, where Higgs and Hill Developments have agreed terms with the Test

Valley Borough Council to

The purchase gives the covers about Alapara is let to Thomas Graham and Sons, part of the Thomas Tilling Group, at a rent of £150,000 a year with reviews every fifth year to 81 per cent of the rack rental value.

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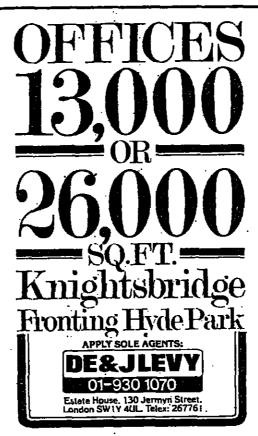
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The Dybbuk BBC 1

Michael Church

If the strength of a chain lies in its weakest link, the spell woven in the BBC version of Salomon Anski's play The Dybbuk ought by rights to have broken. That did not must be due in large part to the intrinsically arresting quality of this Russian-Jewish tale of obsessional love and religious

superstition. In a small village Romeo meets Juliet, but she is destined for a wealthier match by her opportunistic father. Romeo rries increasingly desperately to calist the support of magical powers but he falls and dies of powers our ne rails and dies or grief. His soul becomes a dyb-buk, an evil spirit trapped be-tween heaven and earth, and henceforth possesses his be-loved. When all else fails the matter is taken to the rabbinical court which exposes the father's sin and exorcises the devil, but at the price of the girl's life. Joan of Arc. The Crucible and

Joan of Arc. The Crucible and Wuthering Heights are each at times strongly called to mind. The weak link was Juliet herself—Giselle Wolf in the role of Lean, the merchant's daughter. This part is both a gift and a remendous challenge, demanding as it does a credible transi-pon from sweet serenity to demonic possession. Ms Wolf seems to have been encouraged to do the predictably modern thing, sleepwalking her way trough the first half and then, with a little help from Martha Graham, turning into that raw caricature of feminism, a women's-group virago, liberated to rant and rave. Her antics were filmed, moreover, in a four-square theatrical manner: if ever there was an excuse for clever visual effects this should

In almost every other way, however, Jane Howell's direcnon was superb. From the opening scene, in that exquisitely lifelike landscape of ice, snow and denuded trees, one sensed the presence of something numinous and ecstatic.
Ecstasy, unless sanctified by
connexion with pop or
extremist politics, is nowadays something to be explained, and thus explained away: Gary Brown, as the young lover, recited the Song of Solomon in the synagogue as though its bject were something truly ineffable. For two hours we were in a world peopled by were in a world peopled by characters straight out of Chagall paintings and medieval icons, and that world felt curiously comforting

A vision of sackcloth and ashes

to suggest, there would be no production of Philip Martin's Thee and Me, opening at the National Theatre tomorrow: and without Gangsters, Martin's two television series, there would still be a lot of people saying about Midlands crime: "What, in Birmingham? No, never."

It has been suggested that Gangsters was a "violent fantasy" and that Martin invented the claborate structure of villainy that he depicted. He of villainy that he depicted. He points out that the series began life in balmier days of BBC finance when it was one of two feature films (the other being Leeds United) made for television. "I actually researched—lived in Birming. ham and met criminals—so the initial film was based upon what was going on in Birmingham . . . it was in actual fact a portrait of the city's under-

"When the film came on people were still saying, What, in Birmingham; never in Birmingham', it just so hap-pened that the news overtook the drama, because there was a £2m heroin heist, the stuff was discovered in Birmingham, and then two days later there were 15 illegal immigrants arrested in the Bristol Channel and, lo and behold, where were they going but Birmingham."

Thee and Me, which Martin wrote with the few months of relative leisure that Gangsters earned him, is less likely to prove immediately accurate. He has set the play 60 years in the future, in a world where the sun has burnt through the earth's ozone layer and reduced Britain's green countryside to ash, a desert waste with few springs and a fierce competi-tion between a totalitarian gov-ernment and a few anarchic individuals to find and control each source of water.

The drama is not hinged on the science fictional aspects, but on the struggle between two concepts of power: the individual and the collective. Still, Martin views the catastrophe as possible: "It's not a direct prediction but for all we know it could happen. If you look at the ecological side of the play and read the reports about the ozone layer, they actually don't know. One report comes out and says we're okay. This is immediately superceded by another report that says we don't really know. know, as far as we can tell it is shrinking... The play is really a projection of what could happen on one particular piece of carelessness; ie, the ozone layer. You could say it's actually what could happen if actually what could happen if we're so careless with our free-



Philip Martin . . . " I'm only joking "

play was written for the Duke's Playhouse in Lancaster where a year earlier Martin had written another full-length play for the director, John Blackmore. As Lancaster is where he now lives, with his wife and daughter, both plays had a strong local colour. The first one, Sumbo, was an intriguing excursion into local his-tory, using the legend of the black slave, Sambo, to show how much of the wealth of Lancaster had come from the slave trade.

Some ten years before the advent of Gangsters, Martin had scrapped a promising -career as an actor and turned

An earlier version of the of the medium that he may well be better known for playing the part of the nightclub owner than for his authorship. There is some irony in the way he ended the series, having chosen to kill his hero with a thoroughness that Arthur Conan Doyle never managed for Sherlock Holmes. Death came disguised as W. C. Fields and it was Martin, the creator, who played the assassin.

The story of Martin's break with acting has the stuff of theatrical apocrypha and the National's programme tells it with unusually near edges. He had formed a company with the director. Mike Leigh, and the playwright, David Halliwell, and during their production of Livile Malcalm and His to writing. To viewers of the series that might come as a surprise for such is the force struggle Against the Emuchs,

he learned an eight-page speech overnight only to have it cut in the morning. Acting suddently lost its glamour and he took a job in Preston as a ballroom manager, returning also to engineering which he had learnt in the six years between leaving school in Liverpool and entering RADA at

pool and entering RADA at the age of 21. He admits the story but tells of his two-year break from the theatre in rather different terms. "It was a pretty bad time because my first marriage was breaking up. I suppose, looking back, balf the dissatisfaction with acting was prob-lems with the marriage which I thought would be solved by going back to a stable, steady job. Of course, it didn't. The marriage broke up anyway. So,

I began to write. "The curious thing with this to a cinema and when I got fed up with the ballroom I used to go and watch the cinema. And I was actually watching one many and are actually watching one many actually watching one watching watching one movie one time and I thought, I'd really like to get back into this and I began to write seriously. About two years after that I was writing full time."

in the course of throwing out drunks and doing bar receipts,

Since abandoning Gangsters Martin has found that many fail to understand why he is no longer "writing hard-edged, gangster, exploitative, commercial stuff. They think I'm a fool not to do it." But he never limited himself to the series and during it he picked up an award from Imperial Tobacco for his 1977 radio play, Dead Soldiers, as best original drama of the year. While he has given up composing for the bureaucrats of Radio 3, preferring not to waste the time that it now takes him to get a radio play accepted, his schedule is crowded with other writing.

During Michael Rudman's rehearsals of Thee and Me he has had to commute to Birmingham to work on his new play for BBC 2, the Unborn. and he is writing a new stage play for John Blackmore, who is now running the Tyneside Theatre Company in Newcastle. The Unborn uses the techniques of horror films to tell the story of a father who has visions that his unborn son is the Anti-Christ. On the day I spoke to Martin at the National he was on his way to Birmingham to present a prolo-gue that would "tell mothersto be that I'm only joking". If it has the power of his other writing, one can only hope they believe him.

Catchpenny Twist King's Head

Ned Chaillet

When it rains, you are likely to get water dripping from the ceiling at the King's Head Theatre Club, and even when the doors have just opened it requires considerable dexterity to work your way to a sear at a table, so when the theatre has a popular success it has the intimacy of a steambath and the friendliness of a histre comlaned. Against the odds of its subject matter, and against the nods of a second success in the same place. Stewart Parker's 1977 follow-up to his King's Head hit, Spokesong, looks set to keep the Islington theatre crowded throughout its run. Under the circumstances, dinner is advised since it will

Prague SO/Belohlavek Festival Hall

Joan Chissell

The Prague Symphony Orchestra, now revisiting these shores after a gap of seven years, was founded in 1934, which makes founded in 1934, which makes it a youngster in comparison with the better known Czech Philharmonic whose first concert was conducted by Dvorak soon after his return from the New World. However it was Dvorak's "New World" sym-phony that allowed these Prague musicians their best chances to shine at the Festiand in fact won them a couple of splendidly spirited national-dancelike (titles were not

announced) encores.

The conductor, Jiri Belohlavek, studied with Celibidache, which helps to account for the orchestra's good discipline. The strings, based on eight

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on, sending the audience out for a drink after the opening been speaking about the wife of one, deciding that the woman is a cannibal inclined to take the "soul, courage and Ned Chaillet exchange posts with her husband in an adjoining room.

Catchpenny Twist, which has been seen in various versions in Dublin and the United In Dublin and the United States and on television, has rucugh echoes of Spokesong's mardant Bell'ist wit to prove its family connexions. It sprawls, and the matchbox stage has to and the matchbox stage has to settle for square inches of suggestion instead of realism to handle the shifts from a class-room in Northern Ireland to various flats, bedsits, bar-rooms and bookshops in Bel-fast, Dublin and London. In the

focus on plotlines and formances. Mr Parker begins with a striptease by a teacher in a classroom that sends three teachers in search of new employ-ment when they are interrupted by the headmaster. There is a conscious debt, then, to the Broadway images of Tin Pan

double basses, were pleasantly mellow throughout. Of the

enough team to give Mr Belon-

layek everything necessary for his spirited, straightforward reading of the symphony. He found nice fluid phrasing for

the slow movement, but per-haps missed some of the

Though there was no sample of Czechoslovakia's contemporary music, the orchestra was at least brave enough to start

with Janacek's Cuming Little Vixen suite. Drawn from the

not by the composer but the

conductors Vaclay Talich and

Vaclay Smetacek, who deserve

hectic movement, Robert Gil-lespie's production is wise to

the crush.

Catchpenny Twist, which has songwriters and the woman

problem, even when it comes in providing ballads to order for the IRA, but two live bullets in the post are more than enough motivation to move on. enough motivation to move on.

As the writers, Rony Scannell
and Bryan Murray manage to
convey innocence and authenticity, and Nichola McAuliffe
is very good as the tormented
singer. In a variety of roles,
Tony Doyle offers a winning
presence, sharply satirizing
Eurovision music at one moment and record company exement and record company executives a moment later. It is a ragbag of a musical drama, wittily sliding along the razar edges of Belfast reality though too untidy and timid to be completely successful. But it is entertainment with a heart.

our thanks for the reincarnation. The first of its two movereedy oboes and coranglais caught the ear more often than the insufficiently radiant flutes ments is largely atmospheric, with the gnat's waltz eventually emerging as its main thematic delight, whereas the second (including the vixen's escape) is more dramatic, with a glorior slightly anonymous clarinets. The horns also emerged modestly in comparison with their suplendidly forthright louder brass colleagues. In sum, an able and responsive ously effulent surge of sound to mark the warmth of sunrise.

come avoidance of super-gloss in keeping with Janacek's world of nature.
Sibelius's Violin Concerto
introduced the young Russian
violinist Boris Monoszon to the
Festival Hall. Though a fluent
lyricist, he not only lacked the richness and variety of tone needed for this romantic work

This performance was imagi-natively evocative, with a wel-

but also the temperament.
Apart from the fact that he
was often engulfed by the
orchestra at moments of climax. many a plurase needing a speak-ing eloquence (like that pleading rising scale motif in the Adagio) emerged unmoulded.

each listening to the private words she will have with the It permits Heather Sears to

Scherzo's charm.

To make two acts of August Strindberg's rarely performed Creditors, Roy Macready has stopped the action quite early learning" from ber men. The older man is eager to demon-strate that she is unfaithful, though he claims never to have met her, and she arranges to

make two entrances swanning through the doorway, every hit the aging flirt and successful novelist that has been des-cribed. The first time her cheery greeting to her husband the action, the second time it starts a new act, and though it reduces the claustrophobic intensity of the conflict, it brings a clear focus to the harsh sexual warfare that Strindberg agonized over and delighted in.

In the first scene the older

man has permitted himself a few opening shots before the enemy has appeared. He has convinced the busband that married men should expect in-fidelity, he has suggested that the wife's sexual appetites have induced the early stages of Friday's later editions.

epilepsy in her new husband and he points out that women in neral are ridiculous, looking like a half-developed man when naked. Of course they haemorrhage 13 times a year. It is not until he is alone with Tekla that he reveals himself as her first husband, and begins to open her wounds and pour salt on the fresh injuries of her hidden husband.

It is a war fought with words, though full of semi-mystical injunctions about energy and power flowing from one person to another, and Mr Macready's production uses the words for their own effect, limiting the movement as Miss Sears, Philip Bowen and Malcolm Rennie make speech into a weapon that actually kills.

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The Magic Flute Cambridge University

William Mann

Cambridge University can claim a special interest in Mozart's last opera: it was there, in December 1911, that Edward Dent and Clive Carey mounted a production of The Magic Flute. In Dent's English version, which restored it to the British repertory, banishing its Vic-torian connotations as Il flutto magico, a grand display of un-dramatic singing, with orches-trally accompanied recitatives. The university's Opera

Society, founded some years after Dent retired from the professorship of music, decided this term to celebrate the seventieth anniversary of that already historic production, somewhat early but no less worthwhile for that, The Magic Flue is, in any case ideal material for produc-tion in the theatre of the music faculty's new building. The sunken orchestra pit is of the right size for Mozart's prescribed instrumental force. The ample stage was left without false proscenium, very simply decorated by Peter Fekete, its access from the auditorium to access from the auditorium to either side efectively used by Malcohn Hunter's sensible, un-

affected production. Tamino entered from behind us, running down the gangway

Festival Hall William Mann

Hallé/Loughran

It was good to hear the Halle Orchestra in London on Friday, and in a Russian programme that could exercise any orchestra's virtuosity, yet seemed congenial, indeed appropriate to the paths down which James Loughran has been leading his Manchester forces during recent years.

Last summer, at the Edin-surgh Festival, I feared he had taken them some steps too far away from the old, familiar. Barbirolli sound which, in any Barbirolli sound which, in atty case, he must have wanted to replace with his own orchestral second symphony, a Barbirolli favourite. No such extreme measures were required in Shostakovich's tenth symphony, palette. That was in Elgar's

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Judith Nagley

William Mathias's three movement Divertimento for string orchestra, which opened the English Chamber Orchestra's concert on Friday evening, proved an apt currain raiser. An unpretentious piece, written in 1958 during the Welsh composer's student days, its chief attraction lies in its rhythmic exuberance and clarity of partentions.

It is to some extent derivative (few student works can escape that); its angular melodic lines and concentrated counterpoint hint at Tippett, its syncoparion, intervallic repetirion and upward-rushing scale passages at Bartok. But the

to escape from the poisonous acolyte. introduced himself from the side circle. There were no visible temples: their names were flashed upon the ground, like three Unwelcame Mats. Without a tree, Panageno had to suspend his nangman's noose from his own raised hand (if we did not already know he would be saved, somebody in the audience would always cry out when he counts to three). Mr Hunter's was indeed, an abstract production, yet with none of the killjoy austerity which that epithet may imply, because he had identified each character aright, and was relishing every scene for its serious or comical worth.

They were not always the familiar characterizations.

Simon Davies's Papageno, tall yet hunched, dressed in red, suggest an affinity with some amiable snake rather than any bird. His opposite number. Monostatos, was seen, in Colin Stewart's person, as handsomely suntanned and affable, a halfhearted villain and by no stretch of imagination a nursery golliwog. Sarastro's priests in their black cassocks might have been Cambridge choral scholars in chapel, but for their unshod feet. The High Priest and his

the overture to Borodin's Prince Igor.
"Halles Band", as it used to

be called in Lancashire, is in fine fettle, a largely young orchestra, still sagely led by Martin Milner, whose long bows in cantabile music are an eloquent reproach to other string departments, and who is also a true leader when the music's temperature rises, and fur has to fly, as in the scherzo of the Shostakovich.

The corporate sonority in Borodin was ample, fiery, but without self-indulgence, the without self-indulgence, the melodies emotionally forth-coming and handsomely individualized, the Slavic vitality evoked and enjoyed, not dragooned in any oppressive way. Once or twice some treasured subsidiary detail, of line or harmony seemed less irreasured substituting actual, of line or harmony, seemed less audible than it deserved; for the most part, it was a brave performance which, more than

severe lines are softened into essentially vocal melodies, which David Atherton moulded carefully in the slow movement, and all is tempered by an adherence to basically tonal

Skilful programming, or mere coincidence, provided another work from 1958, Britten's Nocturne, op 60, for tenor, strings and seven obbligate instruments. Robert Tear's reading was as fresh and spontaneous as though he were encountering the work for the first time. He captured immediately the

atmosphere of each poem, so subtly distilled by Britten into the most transparent of textures; he moved with a natural fluency from sheer simplicity in Coleridge's Wandering of Cain to vivid representation in Mid-dleton's Midnight Menagerie, to a final emotional intensity in

to escape from the poisonous acolyte, the so-miscalled verpent, represented by a strong "Speaker" wore gaudy surred light (we were expected to plices, and Mark Wildman's have read the synopsis of the Sarastro, alone dignified with action). Papageno, bothered by shoes, exercised authority a recalcitrant set of pan-ripes, quietly, like a very unassuming nonconformist minister, though he sang his music nobly enough. and even took the last line of "we know no thought of ven-geance" (of course Dent's translation was sung, with a little revision in the first act notably) down to the unauthen-Christine Barker's secure top

Christine Barker's secure top notes and firm attack were well applied to the Queen of Night's music. Julie Hunter was the appealing, musical Pamina, her soprano not yet perfectly free from rawness, nicely matched with Peter Bronder, a Tamino with a true tenor voice, though his vowels were sometimes distorted for easier vocalization. torted for easier vocalization. Andrew Wise conducted attentively and sympathetically; was I wrong in expecting a higher standard of orchestral playing from present-day Cambridge? The small, expert choral force was a surprise, but apt for this production and this music. I missed the menagerie in Tamino's aria with solo flute (female dancers were a wretched substitute), but for the most part warmed to the in-telligence and humanity of the presentation, close to Dent's thinking about The Magic

ever, made me pine and yearn to see and hear Prince Igor in the repertory of a British

opera company at last.

The current Hallé sound was again vigorously deployed, yet without exaggeration, in the Shostakovich. Under Loughran the symphony revealed quite firmly its descent from Tchaikovsky and Rimsky-Korsakov, less so the opic grandeur which first endeared it to British audiences. The two central movements went well, although

movements went well, although the Allegretto waltz can benefit from more charm—it is not all gloom and self-pity.

In between came Rachmaninov's Paganini Rhapsody, that heirloom of a great composer-planist, sprucely accompanied for Joachin Achucarno, who had played the same piece at his played the same piece at his Festival Hall debut 20 years ago. He has the range of piano none, and the masterful style, literally at his fingertips.

Shakespeare's sonnet. The ECO. wind, harp and timpani soloists responded both expressively and easily to the demands of

neir parts. By including Beethoven's first symphony, David Atherton doubtless hoped to show what new light diminished orchestral forces could throw on a work completed in the last year o the eighteenth century. In the event, the light was all too glaring conspiring with the hall's unsympathetic acoustics to show the slightest misturing of an inner part, or lateness of an

The andante was charming and elegant, but lightweight: the elegant, but lightweight; the string tone generally lacked body here, despite the more dramatic moments being met with exaggerated storzandos. There was, nevertheless, much

Tantalizing study that shocked Victorian England authority unassuming Fronde's Life of Carlyle "tragic" character, one "with tragic" character, one "with tragic" character, one "with tragic" character, one "with tragic" character, one as against Carlyle as husband as soon as Abridged and edited by John

(Murray, £17.50) There are certain books that one could go on writing and talking about for days, whether read in their own time or years following initial publi-cation: their power to pleasure, intellect and imagination, to engage memory, to stimulate partisanship and comroversy makes them classic. In biography, Froude's Life of Carlyle is as outstanding a work of art as Lockhart's Scott and Boswell's Johnson. Professor John Clubbe's abridged edition gives a renewal of life to this extraordinarily vivid and tan-

talizing masterpiece.

Professor Clubbe is one the many editors working with Professors Sanders and Fielding on the Duke-Edinburgh Collected Letters of Thomas and Jane Welsh Carlyle (eight volumes published to date), and he has had the excellent, long-overdue idea of producing an edited version of James Anthony Froude's four volumes, which, when pub-lished (1882-84) sparked off every reaction under the sun from fulsome to scanda-lized condemnation. Professor Clubbe has pruned the original text to just under half of its length by a judicious cutting of letters included by Froude, most of which have been shown to be textually inac-curate. We now have a drama-tic narretive of some 563 large demy pages, prefaced by a superb essay from Professor Clubbe about Froude and the personal dilemma in which he found himself.

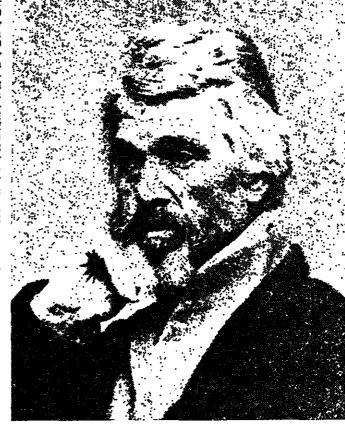
This was a book that shocked Victorian England, because the great man, Carlyle, was shown not as an unblemished hero but as a man deeply conscious of psychologi-cal flaws and incapacities, whom Froude viewed as a

Jane, spent the remaining 20 years of his life meraphorically bearing his breast, riddled with guilt. Froude, his junior by 20 years, was Carlyle's literary executor, and into his hands Carlyle placed his reminiscences and Jane's letters, and into his ears he poured out his grief, remorse and bitterness—
the latter two exaggerated
simply because of his loss of
Jane. Froude had known the
Carlyles since 1849, coming first to them as one of Carlyle's most fervent admirers. An intimate to their house-hold since 1861, he was torn between awe and worship of Carlyle and fascination with Jane. Carlyle, although stating that he wished no biography of himself (odd in one wbo pioneered a new type of biography) gave Froude to under-stand that be wished him to write his life, and when Carlyle died, aged 85, in 1881, Proude was already at work. Revelations which astonished

Victorian reader centred on the Carlyle marriage. Briefly, it was suggested that Carlyle had treated Jane harshly, even cruelly, and should never have married her because he knew he was impotent. This was hearsay gossip, related to Froude by that rather silly woman Geraldine Jewsbury, to whom Jane confided much domestic intimacy. Geraldine, aghast and naive, lapped it up without reflecting on Ispe's without reflecting on Jane's without reflecting on Jane's genius for telling a good story against Carlyle. Froude, ambivalent in his relationship to both husband and wife, received it with relief as the explanation of the secret the old man confessed he hid from the world.

Professor Clubbe quite pro-

Professor Clubbe quite properly expresses doubt about Carlyle's impotence, which con-temporary research has shown to be at least non-proven, and points out many of Froude's inaccuracies. The



Carlyle . . . a " tragic " character

whole business of Froude in his errors as the Duke-Edinversus the Carlyle marriage would merit a book in itself; that it was the torment of Froude's final years is well documented, particularly in the posthumously published My Relations with Carlyle. Though Froude got a number of things wrong and muddied the waters, it does not detract from the virility of his biography which, unfortunately, has inspired many latterday biographers to follow slavishly

burgh scholarship is fast prov-

ing. Froude's Life of Carlyle is compulsively readable: his prose is precise, clear, straightforward: his chapters short. He wastes little time in showing his hand in prejudice which creates a topicality immediately to his portraits, the marriage and the period which more or less covers a whole century. He emerges as a brilliant prosecuting counsel,

artist and his power as a social prophet, although he considers Carlyle too radical. He establishes the very telling parallel of Carlyle's slavish devotion to his mother and Jane's equal devotion to her father—both Carlyle and Jane are buried next to the loved parent, separated from each other. He is grossly unfair, inaccurate, about Jane having to endure "poverty" during the early years of her marriage, now seen in clearer perspective. He batters his here when this here becomes fascinated by Harriet Ashburton, viewing this as a shocking crime against Jane, who was certainly madly jea-lous, although wickedly witty in her letters about her Ladyship. He fails to understand Jane's ill-health, ascribes this entirely to Carlyle, himself a hypocondriac. His most instinc-tively true clue to the marriage is a sound one: "his was the soft heart, and hers the stern one." He is splendid about Carlyle's work, although he considers him something of an iconoclast; detailed about his work methods, his blocks, his periods of demented application, his perpetual despair about work on hand which co-existed with his near reli-gious faith in his genius and

Froude remarks that Carlyle wrote his biography as though it were fiction, possibly due to Carlyle's initial intention to become a novelist, just as Jane wrote her letters as fiction, having given up the idea of writing novels. Froude himself creates in this scintilating masterpiece a Shakespearean fiction, seeing his role, if I may be fanciful, as that of Fortinbras uttering valedictions when all are slain.

Kay Dick

Mam zelle Angot Covent Garden

Springplank Riverside

The Royal Ballet chose all French music for Saturday's new programme at Covent Garden. The greatest pleasure was hearing again the music from Lecoco's operettas for the revival of Mam'zelle Angot. First came Ravel's Piano Concerto in G major, dryly though skilfully played by Pbilip Gam-mon, for MacMillan's skilful but dry La Fin du Jour, with lan Spurling's bizarre designs, supposedly from the thirties, although some look a decade

Wayne Eagling and Julian Hosking, dressed as bandleaders, lead the men in some energetic saltations. Merle Park and Jennifer Penney, aviaprices who have dropped in for a swim, are manipulated like. Its weakness is that each of dolls (all the women in this the three scenes is less interestballet are puppers) through ing in plot and choreography,

some difficult but occasionally beautiful adagios. The closing of a door at the end is meant to give it all meaning; end of lost decade. Next, Glen Tetley's ballet to

Poulenc's Volunturies, another concerto: somewhat hysterical music, I think, but Anthony Twiner coped manfully as the organ soloist. Affreda Thoro-good and David Wall danced the leads; she has the most beautiful and expressive arms in the company, and is always at her best, emotionally and tech-nically, when inspired by his sure support and dramatic presence.

Massine's original version of Mam'zelle Agnot in New York was a flop; he reworked it for Covent Garden in 1947 with new designs by Derain and an amended score, orchestrated by Gordon Jacob. Ebulliently danced, it was popular for years, but then faded away; an audience unused to this kind of from character ballet may now

Its weakness is that each of

than the one before. Luckily the music continues strong all through, and was joyously played under Ashley Lawrence, but to make the ballet work, the dancers must establish their characterizations quickly and keep them up through sheer

personality.

Wayne Sleep, as the barber hero, has no lack of personality but it is wildly misdirected here: all cockiness and no sen-timent, hamming like mad and, surprisingly, missing the bril-hance as well as the subtlety of early casts. However, Ste-phen Jefferies is splendidly sar-donic as the caricatorist Lesley donic as the caricaturist, Lesley Collier's tough bitle market heroine has plenty of spirit, and Jennifer Penney is delightfully daffy as the aristocratic

The revival is dedicated to Massine's memory, following his death last year. How odd that the programme cannot decide how to spell his name: counted three different ways. Riverside Studios for the Dance Umbrella series is Springplank, the apprentice group started

effect that Nils Christe's Quartet for them (to Shostakovich's Eighth) was the runaway winner of an international choreographic competition in Cologne last July. Christe seems to need a strong score to bring out his ability; his Harmonic Melodies, which opened Friday's pro-gramme, is pleasant but does not build to a real climax any more than it does its music,

experience for young dancers

and opportunities for new

choreography, to such good

Gordon Jacob's Divertimento for harmonica and string quar-tet. However, it did introduce a team of excellent young danvers, lively and able. They were seen at their best

in extracts from two ballets by Jiri Kylian, who directs the parent company. Two duets from Blue Skin revealed highly ingenious double-work, smoothly done, but left little impression of what their original context may have been. The extracts from Dream Dances, to Berio's

three years ago by Netherlands

Dance Theatre. It provides experience for young dancers

Folk Songs, made me impedient to see the whole ballet. The five numbers given were full of fun

and freshness.
Completing the programme was a work made for Springplank only last month by Christopher Bruce, Interactions. I could not see much justification for the title: the ballet was full of sequential movement but little interaction. The dances seemed like an anthology of Bruce's favourite steps from earlier works, but their arrangement stretched the dancers' ability and they rose the demands gratifyingly Interactions was accompanied by electronic doodles arranged by Gary Carpenter and would surely have looked better either in silence or set to real music.

Dance Umbrella now moves to Whitechapel Art Gallery, The Place and (jointly with Camden Festival) the Shaw Theatre. A pity it could not have given this ittractive group a

John Percival

Rhodesia: who can cry 'foul' the loudest?

All in all it has been a dismal election campaign. The promises contained in the various party election manifestos that a new, fair, non-racial Zimbabwe would rise from the ashes of the old, white-dominated Rhodesia seem white-dominated knodesia seem almost to have been forgotten. Instead party leaders seem to have been concentrating on who can cry "foul" the loudest.

There has been one over-riding issue during this elec-tion campaign, and that has been the question of intimida-Deen the question of "intimidation." Bishop Abel Muzorewa's
UANC has pointed its finger at
Mr Robert Mugabe's ZANU
(PF), accusing it of maintaining
a network of unassembled
guerrillas and "mujibas"
(young assistants) in the tribal
trust lands (TTLS) which has
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prevented other parties from campaigning in those areas. Mr Mugabe has pointed his finger right back at Bishop Muzorewa, alleging that "UANC auxiliates" have been forcing people at gunpoint to support the at gunpoint to support the UANC. Mr Joshua Nizomo, leader of the Patriotic Front, has complained (less stridently than the others) that his party has come under pressure both has come under pressure both from its former ally in the

For their part Rhodesia's temporary British administrators — who are not without their own preferences—have laid most of the blame at Mr Mugabe's door. "You have a situation here where eight black parties are trying to farry out. parties are trying to carry out political campaign and one is conducting a para-military exercise," said one British adviser.

Patriotic Front guerrilla alli-ance and from the auxiliaries.

A degree of intimidation was inevitable given Rhodesia's recent history of conflict and the size of the prize which is at stake in this election. In fact the level of violence in much of the country has remained remarkably low. Despite the publicity given to bomb attacks on Salisbury churches and against Mr Mugabe, there have the control of the country been relatively few acts of violence against political leaders which is perhaps surprising bearing in mind that these leaders were fighting each other just a couple of months

dation appears to have been psychological rather than physical. On the ZANU (PF) side this has involved propagating the insidious message that the war will continue unless Mr Mugabe wins. This is a compelling threat for people who are

As for the UANC, the party has been assisted by auxiliaries—men with guns, sup-posedly apolitical members of the security forces, who have it can be considered to be official-looking pamphlets warning people of the dangers of the result will reasonably of the security forces, who have it can be considered to be triumphal return to Rhodesia, the main political leaders has indicated to manship. He has refrained from faillance, but the main political leaders has indicated to the main political leaders has indicated to manship. He has refrained from faillance, but the main political leaders has indicated to manship. He has refrained from attacking his rivals in public, as well who believe such a mother to attend a raily in attacking his rivals in public, as well who believe such a series of thousands of the main political leaders has indicated to manship. He has refrained from the main political leaders has indicated to manship. He has refrained from the manship. He has refrained from attacking his rivals in public, as well who believe such a series of thousands of the main political leaders has indicated to manship. He has refrained from attacking his rivals in public, as well as shown some qualities of states.

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Cabinet ministers claim to detect

the emergence of a "new mood"

en strike in support of the poli-al and industrial objectives

of their union leaders. Are they right, or is it a false dawn?

On the surface, the recent

evidence is overwhelmingly in

their favour. Look at the shat-tering rebuff delivered on Satur-

day to left wing leaders of the

members, and the contempt shown by British Leyland car

the sacked communist shop

The message is apparently clear. Faced with the very real

threat of unemployment, coal miners and motor industry

workers are suspicious of the militant response of industrial

well-publicized argument of

the employers that striking will only hasten and increase the toll

among workers opposed to going



Voter and campaigner: woman at ZANU rally and Bishop Abel Muzorewa speaking on behalf of his UNAC party.

with "true democracy." The party has also benefited from the fact that the country's entire administrative structure is, if not actually pro-UANC, certainly anti-ZANU (PF).

But will it stop the war? That is what black Rhodesians want most of all. The answer will lie not so much with the country of the war?

largely from the political leaders themselves and not from the electorate. It is as though they realize they are not going to win as many seats as they boasted they would, and are preparing their excuses in

Whether the coming election an be described as being " free ", and will be accepted as such by the international community, is another matter.

of a western European election.

majority of the black popula-

It is pethaps significant that or fairness of the election but the cries of "foul" have come with the arithmetic of the with the arithmetic of the result. This cannot be predicted with any accuracy at this stage but it is widely assumed that no party will win an overall majority. This means the first government of Zimbabwe will

With two days to go before polling starts it is still expected that ZANU (PF) will win the largest number of the 80 black seats in the new parliament. However there are signs that support for the party, which If measured by the yardstick reached its peak during the if a western European election, week following Mr Mugabo's

as well. Similary there are signs that some voters may be reacting against the party's threats to carry on fighting unless it wins.

By contrast Bishop Muzorewa

seems to have turned the tide which at one stage was running strongly against him. He has achieved this partly by carry-ing out an exhaustive election campaign which has taken him to all corners of the country to address meetings both big and small. (Mr Mugabe has been almost arrogant in his avoidance of the hustings, often preferring, it seems, to talk to the press rather than the people). Whether his efforts can haul the UANC into second place remains to be seen.

Mr Nkomo has also not only been active, but alone among

Socialism Marxism "compared reflect the wishes of the haps in the midland province to be winning him considerable support among the country's Shona-speaking majority. Mr Nkomo is likely to play

the key pivotal role in the coalition-making that will take place after the results are known on March 4, and he has already held wide-ranging talks with those parties that are expected to be represented in the new parliament. If Mr Mugabe wins substantially less than 40 seats Mr Nkomo may well try to put together a coali-tion with the UANC and other black parties in which he would be prime minister. A coalition would almost certainly have the support of the whites.

However if Mr Mugabe wins in excess of 40 seats Mr Nkomo may feel he has no option but to revive the former Patriotic Front alliance, but this time as

ests. However it would be opposed by the whies who would either pack their bags and leave or possibly be tempted (in partnership with excluded black parties) to resist

ir by force.

Any coalition is bound to be an uneasy one, made doubly so by the fact there are still three well-armed and undefeated armies in the country-Mr Nkomo's Zipra, Mr Mugabe's Zanla and the Rhodesian SDC forces. What to do with these armies will be the crucial problem during the immediate aftermath of the election.

So far virtually nothing has been done to bring the three armies together, although it is likely that some symbolic attempt at integration may bemade before the British leave. While the guerrillas and the this lack of action, the sus-pictons developed during years of fighting tending to over-shadow any desire for assimila-tion. The fact that the three armies have refrained from fighting each other during the ceasefire has been largely due to the presence of the Common-wealth monitoring force which has acted as a vital psycho-logical buffer between the rival

But what happens when the monitoring force pulls out? That will be the most dangerous moment of the whole exercise. refuse to accept any result that does not leave Mr Mugabe in power. This means the security forces, who are already massively deployed around the country, could once again be ordered to turn their guns on

But equally there are fears that Bishop Muzorewa and the whites will not accept the formation of a government from which they are excluded. The power of the security forces is still formidable and it would be hard for any black leader to rule the country effectively with them in opposition.

British officials in Salisbury have privately been saying that there is a 50-50 chance of civil war after the country becomes independent. This is a depressing forecast, particularly in view of South Africa's warnings about possible intervention by its armed forces in the event of a civil war. That would almost certainly lead to the inter-nationalization of the conflict, which would make the past seven years of war seem rela-

But perhaps this is all being unduly pessimistic. The prospect of a renewed war may prove to be a sufficient incentive for the country's black leaders to shelve past rivalries and work together to establish the genuinely free and democratic Zimbabwe they promise in their manifestos. One must hope so, because the people and the country have suffered enough.

The same day, Mr James Prior argued that the Government has the support of ordin-

Paul Routledge

Eric Heffer

The Friedman plan: ready for the bin?

state. To put it mildly, Tory backbenchers are restless, and groups of "dissidents" are springing up all over the place. As one young, highly intelligent Tory backbench MP recently said to me: "The trouble is Professor Milton Friedman has taken over No 10, and it's a national disaster".

The fight between the "progressive" and "reactionary" wings in the Conservative Party is without doubt coming to the boil. The first public disquier to be expressed was contained in a lecture by Sir Iau Gilmour to the Cambridge Union which in effect totally repudiated the positive representation of non-interventionist policies of Sir Keith Joseph. The second was more specific, in an un-signed article in The Observer. Not since the days of the articles signed by "A Conservative" in The Spectator, has there been such forthright and upen personal attacks on the Tory Party leader.

What I found most apt about The Observer article was the description of Tory Government policy as " A level Economics". It is a charge that can equally be laid at the feet of Professor Friedman, whose influence on Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Sir Keith Joseph has been so powerful. The Friedman economic concepts are like those of Sir Keith Joseph—simplistic nonsense.

In the first programme of the BBC series, The Power of the Market, it is assonishing to see Professor Friedman walking around Hongkong with the commentator in the background saying such things as: "The power of the free market has enabled the industrious people of Hongkong to transform what of the most thriving and suc-cessful places in Asia. Aside from its harbour, the only other important resource of Hougkong is people—over four and a half million of them".

It is Professor Friedman's contention that Hongkong, like America a century ago, is a haven for people who seek freedom in which to develop their abilities. He is obsessed with the economic "success" of Par Eastern countries, and is reported as having said: "Look at Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia-all countries with the

fastest growing economies in the world, all countries whose economies place a far greater reliance on market forces than on any government controls ". He totally ignores the fact that all of them are either in special circumstances, poor countries, and have been helped through government intervention by the vestern powers.

Hongkong, however, underlines the essence of the Fried-man idea, that government in-terference, in his view, has in the past been too great, with the amazing assertion that even the 1929 great crash was caused by it. He further argues that each subsequent depression also has government interference as

its basic cause. Professor Friedman's concents are bolstered by a passionate helief in what he calls "free-dom" which leads him to a position of hostility to such things as the regulation of hours of work and conditions of employment. In the film, it is said of the Hongkong workers that they " are free— free to work what hours they choose, free to move to other jobs if they wish. The market gives them that freedom"

Such freedom existed in Britain during the Victories era. The market forces were supreme, there was no National Health Service, no welfare state, no unemployment and sickness benefits, and there was abject poverty. The truth is

One thing is certain, the Gov- Britain have only really got in-eroment is in a most unhappy dividual and collective freedom stars. To put it mildly. Tory because of the interference of the state.

Legislation introduced by Liberal, Labour and sub-sequently Conservative governments has given them rights which they never ever had and a dignity and decency which they had never known before. It is not a type of Victorian charity that the poor want, the so-called freedom to starve, or live in poverty, but the right to stand on one's feet rather than crawl about on one's knees.

It is often said that the Vic torian era was the era of Britain's greatness, the period of Britain's strength, and our tend to look back on this time with a nostalgia bordering on the romantic. It is, however, since governments began to interfere in economic and other affairs that our people's lives have been transformed. Despite all the problems, the

overwhelming mass of the people live at a level uncentury, and that has come about not because of the free market, but because of the growth of the trade unions and legislation brought in by successive governments.

Despite his academic qualifications and Nobel Prize, Pro-fessor Friedman is, like Mrs Thatcher's Government, only up to "A" levels in his econup to "A" levels in his econumic thinking. His theories are so simplistic that one could be forgiven for believing that he looks upon the people as having a mental age of no more than 15 or 16. In a classroom session in the film, he rightly destructions are session for the size of draws attention to the fact that a pencil is the product of cooperative labour and says it can ily really be produced cause "the operation of the free market is so essential, not only to promote productive efficiency, but even more to foster harmony and peace amongst the peoples of the world".

It is such a simple notion that Professor Friedman misses the whole point. It is precisely because no one product can be made by one person, that cooperative effort and owner-ship is required. This was the message that Mr Harold Macmillan preached in his book, The Middle Way. It was the theme of Maynard Keynes' economics, it is in reality the only way to survival.

Professor Friedman's type of thinking has been echoed by Sir Keith Joseph, who for a number of years now has been pressing this case, even going so far as to claim that Conservative policies pursued by Tory been pale carbon copies of those developed by Labour covernments.

The nice easy solution for Sir Keith Joseph, as well as for Professor Friedman, is for governments to withdraw from economic affairs, let market forces rip and hey presto, all will come right in a rela-tively short space of time.

Alas, after less than one year in office, the theory is going badly wrong for the Tories. Inflation is not coming down. but going up. Unemployment is rising with two million unemployed being forecast by the end of the year. The balance of payments is getting worse, and high interest rates are not having the desired effect which the Treasury had hoped for. In my view, therefore, it will not be too long before either

the Government changes course drastically or cracks wide open. At that stage, Professor Friedman's ideas will be put where they belong, at the bottom of the waste bin, or perhaps more generously, exhibited as old-fashioned cuitosities.

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Strikes: the new battleground for workers' minds

industry steel workers who have been out on the stones for nearly two months with no dispute benefit—and with no end the stones for nearly two months with no end the stones in the TUC leadership.

The fiasco in the South Longbridge workers decisively snubbed the idea of a shut-down over their dismissed convener, the BL workforce as a whole stone that the stone is not a shade over their dismissed convener. been out on the stones for nearly two months with no disin sight to their increasingly bitter struggle.

workers for the engineering union's half-hearted call for a strike to reinstate "Red Robbo". The Cabinet has not budged one iora from its insistence that public funding is only available o run down the industry's numbers, not increase the pay of an unnecessarily large work force.
So a political strike against this Government deagainst this Government designed to change its industrial policies is a forbidding prospect. That is why the TUC is very reluctant to enter into an all-out confrontation. The clash has come too early in the life-time of Mrs Thatcher's adminisof redundancies, they are fight-ing shy of deploying the ultitration, the battle is not of the mate strike weapon.

In taking this view, they must also be influenced by the withering experience of state general council's choosing, and, in any case, such a conflict offends the traditional orth-

What, then, is the explana-tion for the militancy of the water and gas workers? Their actions contradict the theory that a new sense of realism is gaining ground. By rejecting the advice of their leaders to accept pay rises ranging up to 19 per cent, they forced up the price of a sertlement in these two key utilities, and have almost certainly driven up the price of wage deals elsewhere in the

public sector. And it must be recalled that while the miners have spurned the political lead of their coalfield officials, they were evenly divided in December on a strike call from the NUM ex-ecutive over a 20 per cent pay offer. More than that, while

has ignored the warnings of Sir Michael Edwardes and follows the advice of the unions in a 6 to 4 vote against the company's "survival". The tentative conclusion must

he that workers are taking a leaf out of Lord Denning's book, and applying their own test of "remoteness" when their leaders threaten a dispute. If their own living standards are at stake, they are willing to gamble on the outcome of industrial action. But they balk at being asked to hazard income and jobs in pursuit of more nebulous objectiveswhether it be an attempt to force changes in government policy, or the defence of the shop steward system.

Furthermore, the willingness of workers to follow their leaders on the issue of pay (as the engineering strikes of last autumn demonstrated) extends even to distant elements of collective bargaining such as mini-mum rates from which only a minority stand to make substantial gains. Shop floor pressure is still running very strongly, but it is running in strongry, out in the natural channels of wages and conditions rather than in the political directions pre-

ferred by some union leaders.
Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary
for Industry, is therefore right
to hedge his bets on the prospect of a fundamental change of climate in industry. Three days ago, he expressed the hope that "there is a hint of a begin-ning of a change", adding, "but it is only limited at this

ary people for the Employment Bill. In this, he has the statistical backing of an opinion poll conducted recently for The Times, which showed a big majority in favour of the legis lation even among trade union-That will be the real battle ground for workers' minds. The

Employment Act, as it will be in time for the 1980-81 wage round, will curb the power of unions to enforce their pay claims by secondary picketing, blacking, and other industrial action away from the original focus of discontent. At that point, workers will be able to perceive a direct connexion be tween their ability to sustain or improve living standards, and the legal/political framework of collective burgaining creeted by the Government. To the extent that this connexion cannor be made now, or is only dimly perceived, we are still in the phoney war.

Labour Editor that the working people

A NOT SO PLACID DIARY

New York The time comes when every growing child starts asking those embarassing, unanswerable questions. It came one night last week while I was sprawled on the sofa, watching television with my 10-year-old son in our New York apartment.

We had been looking at a young man and woman, both amazingly small even allowing for the reducing effect of our 15-inch screen, and both dressed in what I took to be a stylised version of Ukrainian peasant costume, cavorting prettily on

"Dad", he asked suddenly.
"What's an ordinal"? I took a deep breath and stretched myself out to my full length on the sofa.

"My son". I told him with brutal honesty. "I have not the slightest idea".

We were one of millions of families in America in the grip of what it would be misleading to term Lake Placid fever: Lake Placid torpor would des-cribe it better. The British television schedules indicate that you, too, have been sub-jected to your share of the winter Olympics, but on nothing

like the scale we have bere. Ordinals appeared on the score of competitors in the pairs skating, in the final column. It seemed that low ordinals were to be preferred to high ones but the commentators made no effort, at least in my hearing, to explain them, seven years ago as half of a too. I do not think they con-

system was incredibly com-plicated", which did not help. (Nor did it help to consult the dictionary, which declares an ordinal to be a book of forms to be used in the consecration of Bishops). American sports commentators are short on basic information but high on emotion and

odoxy of the trade union hier-

dudgeon. The emotion was given full vent when America's best hope for a gold medul in the pairs skating had to cry off because of an injury to Randy Gardner, the male half of the ensemble.

ensemble.

This was dreadfully disappointing for him and his petite partner, Tai Babilonia, but the story may not have warranted the obsessive treatment it received from the commentators, who were able to talk about scarcely anything clse for days It was discussed as a national tragedy, one more as a national tragedy, one more rebuff from the cruel fates who had already dished out to America more than its share of disgrace in Iran and Afghani-

The film of Miss Babilonia wiping a tear from eye as she skated sadly out of the rink was shown time and again. Pairs skating, possibly because of its sexual, possibly because or its sexual overtones, is a deeply passionate sport, and I felt I had witnessed similar harrowing scenes before.

The television people were quick to remind me when. They

showed a film of Irina Rodnina winning the world championship

beyond saying that the scoring Soviet pair, only to leave the ice weeping because her partner loved another. Equipped with a new partner-

Equipped with a new partner-later to be her husband, Miss Rodnina has carried on win-ning and duly did so this time. Between victories the pair have produced a baby son, Sasha-who has appeared on our screens almost as much as the hapless Gardner and Babilonia. One commentator, in a fit of One commentator. In a fit of uncontrollable mawkisness, presented a soft my to Miss Rodnina after a victory interview, saying: "Give this to Sasha for me." She appeared unimpressed, but at least the lad is uplikely to reach the age

of ten without knowing what an ordinal is. The commentator's dudgeo was reserved for those familiar was seen to be biased. Nobody said this outright, but the message was conveyed through a series of heavily underscored observations, the oral equivalent of raised eyebrows. There was even a reiled hint that the winning Soviet pair broke the rules when her partner put his hand on Miss Rodnina's thigh during the tricky manocutre.

I noticed that the Russian

judges' partiality was patriotic rather than ideological, for when their allies the Czechs or



they know what they like, and what they like are Russian Winter sports enthusiasts. apart from venting their emoof booing, do not seem to bear grudges long, and there have been no politically-inspired demonstrations against the Soviet arbletes. For the past 10 days the Khyber Pass has scemed a tremendous distance from Lake Placid's Whiteface mountain. the East Germans were battling for a medal with a Soriet skater, they were marked down too. I do not think they con-

Olympics? The boycott seems likely to go ahead, although the United States Olympic committee were careful kast week to keep their options open before coming to a formal decision in Viewing figures show that

people love these contests, even if they do not understand all of what is going on. By July they may be feeling sore at having to forfeit the excitement for the sake of a moral gesture which by then might seem increasingly pointless. By a marvellous irony it was against the Russians that the American athletes achieved their greatest triumph last week, when on Friday their ice

week, when on Friday their ice hockey team, against the odds and, it must be said, against the run of play, beat the Soviet squad by the odd goal.

The excitement was unstaunchable. One television sports announcer, quite overcome by the immensity of the occasion, called it the greatest occasion, called it the greatest American victory since the Second World War, It was all the more welcome to Ameri-cans because, except for the speed skating neroics of Eric

to cheer. Randy Gardner's injured fet lock was not the only piece of bud luck. Indeed, so often did Americans fall victim to mis-fortune that the superstitious might suppose the Olympic gods were trying to punish them for their mischiel-making over

Heiden, they had not had much

The most blatant example came in the ski-jumping, when one American jumper made a leap so colossal that he over-shot the safety zone and the whole contest had to be re-started, from a point lower down the slope. He could never repeat the trick and finished

Now 17th is the kind of position in which British composition in which british com-petitors long used to being the underdogs, generally finish. For those who take such indicators seriously, could it be that the scriously, coung it be that the comparative lack of American success means that America is about to follow Britain into the national decline in the throes of which the pundits tell us we have been for as long as I can remember?
Who knows? In any case,

the bigger disgrace for America came not in the events themselves but in the arrangements made for spectators to get to watch them. When I went up to Lake Placid before Christmas various

Placid before Christmas various people there made predictions of alarming things that could go wrong. There might not be enough snow on the ski runs; the ice-making machines might fill the skating arena with carbon monoxide, poisoning the skaters; worst of all, the arena itself might collarse. itself might collapse.

None of that happened, but grave foul-ups did occur in areas where few had expected them. The intricate system for them. The intricate system for a funny "good news and bad getting people to the events by bus from the distant parking is that the Tehran hostages may

first day and intending spectators had to wait so long to pick up reserved tickets that they missed the events they had paid to see. I predict a fertile summer of litigation, a bonanza for lawyers.
Other victims had to wait for

two hours and more for trans-port, in temperatures only just above zero degrees Fahrenheit. Several cases of frostbite were reported. The chaos finally reached the athletes when some Russian medal-winners did not attend their victory ceremony because nobody told them it was going to take place.

Mr Petr Spurney, the general manager of the organizing com-

mittee, gave frequent press conmittee, gave trequent press con-ferences announcing with un-shakable confidence that things would be all right tomorrow, but they were not After three days Mr Hugh Carev, governor of the state of New York, declared a partial state of emergency and sent in a reserve battalion of bus drivers As it was the figses must

As it was, the firsco must have destroyed the belief any-one there may have bad in fabled American efficiency. The American way of life has tre-mendous advantages over most others, but, as systems and living become more complex, the smooth working of the machinery can less and less be claimed as one of them.

The mess-up at lesst provoked a furner "good name and had

soon be freed. The bad news is that the Lake Placid Olympic Committee are arranging their transport home."

Talking of jokes, now that the Olympics are over we have to return for our televised sport to the presidential election campaign. The contest to gain the highest office in what, denits the highest office in what, despite everything, is still the world's most powerful democracy, now hinges on whether one of the contenders, Mr Ronald Reagan, may or may not be forgiven for telling a joke which cast aspersions on Poles and Italians.

For some, a more significant issue was whether or not the reporter who first broke the "news" should be forgiven for solemnly copying down the text of a story told in a relaxed moment and bruiting it to the world. Was this perhaps taking "warts and all" journalism too far?

In any case, it keeps us glued to our sets these cold winter evenings and provokes more of those questions, "Dad", he asked, "what's an ethnic joke?"

I fixed myself another slug of bourbon before stretching out to my full length on the

"My son," I replied, "I think you're old enough now to be rold the one about the Englishman, the Irishman and the Scotsman, ,

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NO EASY VICTORY

The Soviet Union is not winning and they miscalculated the reacin Afghanistan. It is not winning the hearts and minds of the people and it is not winning the military battle against the guerrillas. This does not mean it can never win. If it puts in enough troops and allows them to kill enough people it might achieve an uncasy stability. And if it draws on its post-revolutionary experience of slaughtering and deporting whole nations it might over a period of years bring Afghanistan into the Soviet Union. But the situation at the moment must be considerably worse than the Soviet leaders expected when they ordered the invasion two months ago. Fighting continues, especially in the eastern parts of the country. The land routes to Jalalabad are largely out of Soviet control. The Afghan army is still suffering significant defections. Closed shops and demonstrations in Kabul testify eloquently to the anti-Soviet feelings of the people. Hones-if there were such hopes that Mr Karmal might win redibility as a friend of Islam must now he in shreds. The same must be true of Soviet hopes that the country could be brought quickly under military control. As more reinforcements nour in the Soviet leaders will now be contemplating the implicarions of a prolonged struggle.

Does this mean that they are already looking seriously for a way out? Logically it should, for they seem to have made two serious miscalculations. They miscalculated the strength of resistance inside Afghanistan

tion of the West and the nonaligned, expecting both to be more verbal and transitory than is so far the case. If they see this now they might be expected to start trying to cut their losses. But even the Americans took several years to face up to defeat in Vietnam, and the elderly Soviet leadership is not quick on its feet. Probably Soviet generals, like their American counterparts in Vietnam, are still arguing that a few hundred thousand more troops will enable them to do the joh. Even if they are not, the political system does not facili-tate change. The whole Politburo will certainly have endorsed the invasion together, whatever private misgivings may have been felt by some members. They are all responsible and they are all

guilty if the enterprise goes

wrong. Therefore none can criti-

cize the others without also criti-cizing himself. Nor can anyone outside the Politburo start the

critical ball rolling without being quickly sar upon. At the moment, therefore, the leadership is in the phase of trying to limit the damage and find scapegoats elsewhere. The line is now clear. First, say the Soviets, the trouble in Afghanistan was caused—and is still heing caused-by interference from outside. The Americans, Pakistanis, Chinese and others are arming subversive elements. The Soviet Union is merely offering fraternal help to the legitimate Government under the terms of the friendship treaty of December 5, 1978, Secondly,

almost entirely by the imperatives of the American election campaign and has no basis in the realities of the situation. Therefore détente can be restored as soon as the West comes to its senses again.

These arguments are thin and are seen by most people to be thin, so they will only do for a while. As the struggle goes on the Kremlin will have to face more queseions. Casualty figures will become more widely known among the Soviet people. The economic costs of the enterprise, including the effects of the grain embargo, will be totted up against the gene-rally poor state of the econ-East European countries will become even more reluctant to raise their contributions to the defence budgets for the sake of overseas adventures (Angola and Ethiopia are still costing money). The Muslim countries will observe the daily killing of Muslims. None of this will necessarily be sufficient to force a change course in Moscow but it could gradually have one of two effects
either prodding Mr Brezhnev to look for a political bridge across which to retreat or, if the time for a change of leader has come for other reasons, influencing the choice of his succes-

In these circumstances it is important for western policy to re-main firm and consistent. Only if the costs of Soviet aggresion remain high will the right conseouences be drawn in the Kremlin. Unilateral western concessions help hawks not doves by indicating that aggression pays.

THE PRESSURES OF PUBLICITY

A Press Council report published today discusses some delicate questions concerning the treatment by newspapers and broadcasters of individuals who suddenly find themselves at the centre of public controversy. In September, 1978, Professor Henry Bedson, head of the medical microbiology department at Birmingham University, committed suicide following an outbreak of smallpox for which the department was suspected of heing the source—though the university was subsequently cleared by Birmingham magistrates of endangering the health of its employees. At the inquest Dr Richard Whittington, the Pirmingham coroner, stated that Professor Bedson and his family had been harried by constant inquiries, chiefly from the press, and went on to say that he was prepared to provide the notes of evidence of his court to support any complaint to the Press

Council. The Press Council has now completed its inquiries, which "failed to establish any example of an individual journalist or organization acting improperly or inconsiderately towards Professor Bedson or members of his family". consequently finds that the remarks of the coroner were illconsidered. The episode does indeed provide an object lesson in the danger of a coroner making damaging allegations on the basis of inadequate evidence. On other occasions there may not be the opportunity for such clear vindication as has been pro-

David Wood

road show

Stopping the

parliamentary

Long before direct elections last June it was predictable, and was

indeed predicted, that the Euro-

pean Parliament would soon grow estive about accidents of history and horse-trading that blessed upon

it three working places, at great cost, with a risk of inefficiency, and with the certainty of wide-scread inconvenience to MPs and

Prophesies are being fulfilled. It

imself a considerable expert on

t'in subject. He calculates that travelling between three working

vided here. But that is not the only issue that is raised.

the western reaction is explained

It would be foolish to pretend that the press is never guilty of tasteless and hurtful intrusion. There are sufficient instances of this to prevent there being any grounds for feeling smug. But genuine difficulties do arise when someone who is not used to the embarrassments of publicity is suddenly catapulted into the middle of a controversy that attracts widespread attention. He naturally receives press inquiries, and because there are many newspapers there are liable to he many inquiries. There is nothing shameful about this. The journalist who puts a reasonable question at a reasonable hour to somebody who, he believes, may be in a position to provide relevant information is acting entirely properly.

All this is appreciated well enough by politicians, trade union leaders, the principal figures of industry and commerce, and all those others in different walks of life who are accustomed to the public gaze. They frequently welcome the publicity. Even when they do not, and it cannot be congenial for anybody all the time, they recognize that they are fair game for the journalist's questions-always assuming that neither the questions themselves nor the circumstances in which they are put are improper. They may resent the nuestioning, they may exercise their undoubted prerogative and refuse to answer, but they will not be broken by it. But there are other instances

where the person concerned is not so familiar. The Press Countil's report refers to "the cumulative effect which repeated telephone inquiries made to a household not geared to receive them was likely to have on Professor Bedson". It consequently suggests that where inquiries may focus such severe pressure as this on an individual " arrangements should be made to lessen the pressure. The council hopes that "university and other authorities will make such arrangements by, say, the routing of telephone calls and the holding of press conferences in the future". In principle, this is sensible

enough. It must obviously be right to take excessive pressure off any person whenever this can be done. But there are liable be two practical difficulties. The first is that it is not always easy to tell when a person is under exceptional strain. That is especially true when the pressure of anxiety about a particular crisis or controversy may be even more wearing than the attendant publicity. Secondly, there may be cases where only the principal individual concerned has the technical knowledge to answer the most relevant questions. It was apparently for this reason that Professor Bedson decided of his own volition to take calls himself. The prudent doctrine of the Press Council must not be made a justification for providing that questions will be taken only by press officers who are not equipped to answer them.

and of the Nine have never fixed a seat for the Community's institu-tions, nor especially have they ever purported to fix a seat for the Euro-pean Parliament. The Council of Ministers has left itself vulnerable to the parliamentary campaign to put sense into the way the Euro-pean Parliament works; and there is nothing in the Treaty or the con-ventions to stop Parliament's devising a grand committee system in Brussels that would be tantamount plenary sessions held

The French government, already pouring money into developing Strasbourg as the democratic capi tal of Western Europe." would of course be prepared to fight the battle of Verdun all over again to hold on to what an accident of hold on to what an accident of history gave it. Yet not only the French government.

whose homes and schools are in Luxembourg in the shadow (so to speak) of the parliamentary tower blocks and the new, possibly useless, parliamentary hemicycle. If plenary sessions in Luxembourg were to be cut out of the itinerary for the parliamentary road show and another single fixed site were chosen, then the staff, through no fault of their own, would be selling buving new homes elsewhere at a

It follows that the Parliament's staff, high and low, are up in arms against moves of MEPs to disrupt their franky lives; and there have already been a few occasions when ness can be done without them anywhere if grievances or failure to

Already the hours the European Parliament sits are virtually gov-erned by the willingness of interpreters to stay on sentry-go, m plenary session, in committee, and at meetings of the managerial hureau and the political groups. If they withdraw the Parliament collanses, whorever the legal niceties of Treaty interpretation, whatever the carrots and sticks used by the French to keep Strasbourg promi

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Protecting British agriculture

From Mr Malcolm Hill

From Mr Malcolm Hill
Sir, Your leader of February 15
drew attention to the conflict of
interests caused by the protection
of agriculture: "farmers pulling
one way and the consumers and
axpayers pulling another". On
account of the import controls and
subsidies instituted by the Common Agricultural Policy, the British
consumers must pay annually in consumers must pay annually in addition to the cost of their food valued on world market prices (a) a surcharge, representing the excess of EEC prices over world prices, valued at over £1,000m recently and (b) subventions to the EEC of about

the same amount. Yet the President of the National Farmers' Union has the temerity to suggest (February 19) that the distinction drawn in your leader was "a false distinction". For, he argues, the more the Bratish farmer is encouraged to grow, the greater is the saving to the nation of the

cost of imports. This argument can be rested very samply. Let us suppose that the Government wanted to save the cost of importing pineapples. It could ban further imports and set up some hothouses in the Welsh hills. The Welsh pineapple would cost at least double a real pineapple. But, runs the NFU argument, the cost of importing the real thing is saved. By whom? Yours faithfully,

MALCOLM HILL. 2A Pembroke Road, W8. February 20.

Sprucing up hillsides

From Lord Hulton Sir, The truth of the matter is that many thousands of acres of hill-sides ere covered only with bracken. This plant is unpalatable to men and beast and in summer it is often impenetrable to walkers. It is looked upon as a weed by farmers, but one that can only be eradicated from steep land at great cost.

Bracken-land will, however, succossibily grow a variety of trees. This is where much new planting should start, thus providing imme-diate employment, shelter, better roads and tracks, and, at a later date, timber. Yours faithfully, HYLTON. Ammerdown, Radstock, Bath,

February 22. Selling arms to Morocco

From Lord Brockway and others Sir, The Times reported on January 26 that the United States is to sell 50 military aircraft to Morocco. unless Congress votes against the sale within 30 days.

This is the first time that the Americans have openly offered Morocco arms for use against Polisario forces fighting for the independence of Western Sahara. portedly been expressed by Mr yrus Vance, the Secretary of State, Senator George McGovern, Mr Andrew Young, and other Americans; and in Britain by the Liberal Party.

We believe that the sale of arms to Morocco cannot contribute to a peaceful solution of the Saharan conflict. There is now a consensus within the United Nations and within the Organization of African Unity about what that solution should be: in November the United Nations General Assembly called on Morocco "to put an end to the occupation of the territory of Western Sahara" and referred to Polisario as "representative of the people of Western Sahara". Will Congress fly in the face of

this consensus, or will it respect the cardinal principle of self-determina-Yours faithfully.

FENNER BROCKWAY. ANDREW FAULDS, FRANK HOOLEY. MATTHEW PARRIS CHRISTOPHER PRICE, WILLIAM WILSON. Sahara Action Committee, 9 Poland Street, W1.

Abortion law changes

Fairbairn, that "under the law of Scotland neither in the 13 years since 1967 nor in the 13 centuries before that, had it ever been a crime to destroy a foetus in utero at any stage of pregnancy "(The Times. February 16), may have been plausible metoric but showed a dismai grasp of his native country's past history and legislation.

Senior Lecturer in History, Taylor Building, King's College,

He suggests that a hearing-aid is an essential feature for "the perfect carroon figure".

Deafness is tragedy not farce and

Yours faithfully. ROGER SYDENHAM. Director, The Royal National Institute 105 Gower Street, WC1.

Future of Inner London schooling

From Mr Martin Lightfoot

From Mr Martin Lightfoot
Sir, Professor David Smith (Social
Focus, February 20) makes a numbers of very familiar points in
favour of breaking up the ILEA.
He compares the examination results of ILEA pupils with those
from other authorities. He does not
say that the 11 plus comparability
tests, validated nationally for many
years by the National Foundation
for Educational Research, have consistently shown that the number of sistently shown that the number of able pupils in ILEA is well below

the national level.

He makes a political point about the abolition of the grammar schools, when he must know that the examination results he quotes are the result of the grammar school system and cannot yet be attributed to a fully non-selective

He compares the cost of education in inner London with authorities elsewhere, but he does not compare the costs of other services, such as social services administered by the inner London boroughs, which show comparable variations.

He quotes population figures to show that there are education authorities as small as some inner London boroughs, without stopping to question whether those authorities are in a good position to provide the necessary level and quality of service, and without even mentioning the drop in school population, which will effect a reduction of over 40 per cent in inner London secondary schools by the end of this decade.

If there is a case for doing some-thing about the ILEA it will have to he argued more responsibly than this. There is no doubt that ILEA's constitution is unique, some will sav anomalous. However, my own experi-ence of ILEA is not the same as

Professor Smith's: in my observation education is frequently an issue at both borough and GLC elections, and I know from personal experience that the process of consultation with the inner London boroughs on the level of precept can be scrupulous.

Moreover, Professor Smith's pro-posal that education should be de-volved to the boroughs comes at a time when there is widespread realization that many urgent problems, especially in the inner cities, require bodies with powers to cities, require bodies with powers to acr across local government boundaries, and indeed the Secretary of State for the Environment has recently sought powers to do just that. Can we look forward to Professor Smith mounting the same arguments about London's docklands?

Many people will agree with the Marshall committee, set up by the Conservative-controlled GLC, that for all its faults ILEA should be left alone. If something does need to be done, why does no one propose the most obvious solution? Instead of the disruption—and expensive dis-ruption, as we know from the abolition of Middlesex-of dividing ILEA up what is the ebjection to allowing direct elections to the authority?

Given the nature of inner London. the appreciable amount of travel to school across borough boundaries and the unparalleled provision of higher and further education. volving education to the inner London boroughs risks diminishing precisely that element of democratic control which it is designed to secure.

Yours faithfully. MARTIN LIGHTFOOT. 16 de Beauvoir Square, N1. February 20.

Sex education From Mr M. W. Wenne

Sir, When sex education is discussed what seems most often to be envisaged is a course of bio-logical instruction and practical advice for boys and girls in school in their early or middle teens, by which time some are in a state of dangerous ignorance and others may already have been substantially misinformed from casual and " vernacusources.

In this context the disclosures in Ronald Butt's article of February 14 are indeed disquieting. But it would be wrong to identify all sex educa-tion with the kind of indoctrination which Mr Butt describes. What is the best age for sex edu-

cation to be introduced? For 10 years now the BBC has broadcast annually three television pro-grammes for children aged 8-10 years viewing with their teachers. These programmes, which have a substantial and seemingly satisfied

audience, show the development, birth and growth of the young baby in the context of parental care and responsibility. Sexual intercourse is described but not illustrated; nor is there a "white wedding", but loving relationships and a stable

the programmes.

The age of eight plus was chosen by the School Broadcasting Council after research and consultation the schools, with considerable parent involvement in the piloting stage.

It was observed that children at this age are curious about their growth and development and find babies much more interesting than the sexual behaviour of adults, and I do not know of any evidence that instruction given in this way in early years leads to precocity or an obsession with sex. Rather are these children likely to be better fortified to resist the "sex mis-sionaries" than those who have had no such instruction.

Many parents handle this part of child rearing successfully within the family circle, but others, probably the majority, are either neg-lectful of this duty or find its performance difficult and embarrassing and are glad of help from the schools at any stage. In many schools excellent instruction is given by teachers with the skill and the temperament to present it effec-

Parent-teacher cooperation is so important in this field that the pro-

posed amendment to the Education Bill, to enable parents to know what sex education is provided, with the right to withdraw their children from it, deserves careful consideration, though the implementation and administration of hese requirements may be more difficult than perhaps some of the supporters of

Yours faithfully, M. W. WYNNE Old Fishery Cottage, Hemel Hempstead. February 18.

From Mrs Ursula Owen Sir. What was really shocking about Ronald Butt's article on sex education (February 14) was its witch-hunting tone and his insulting misrepresentations of Jane Cousins's

Make It Hanny was written out of her experience in the classroom of typical adolescent confusions and anxieties. Since it was published 17 months ago, it has been well and widely reviewed and translated into eight languages. And it did indeed win The Times Educational Supplement's Information Book Award, as Mr Butt admits. Why we are proud publish this book however, is because we believe it achieves precisely the opposite of Mr Butt's imaginings.

Its candour and friendliness actually counter the sniggering disinformation of the playground and public school dorm. It also works for loving and responsible relation-ships, and against the hypocrisies of a society which in fact brings up its children in a commercial culture designed to titillate and mystify. selling things chiefly by surrounding them with an aura of soft-porn sexuality.

It would be hard to guess at any of this from Mr Butt's account. which depended on quoting out of context material on sex and the law taken from something under three pages out of 160.
Ronald Butt talks about "sex

education missionaries". What he sounds like is a fearful witchdoctor. jealously guarding the tribe's taboos and outroged at the shought that control may be slipping from his grasp. Yours faithfully.

an anonymous England selector.

Possibly the reason is to influence

referees, or as a general hedge against defeat. But crowds are also

influenced and, more pertinent still, highly metivated players are also

of tough Northerners to play 10 man rugby, and to "dominate up front" as the professional writers have it? Is it surprising that the

Welsh team should be geared up to resisting this domination? The ele-

ment of confrontation was inherent

and had the press been less hostile the match, I feel, would not have boiled over as it did. Additionally

the hysterical reports of the match

can only serve I feel to sour rela-

tionships between the two countries or a long time ahead. Did no

English reporter see any English

there no langer an "English" code

It is all so un-English-or is

Was not England's team chosen

URSULA OWEN, Director. Virago Press, 5 Wardour Street, W1, February 22.

supercharged " by it.

Rugby violence

From Mr J. A. Morgan Sir, Oh England!

Never before have I attended a match at Twickenham where there was so much ill-feeling against the visitors before the kick-off. One tolerates the proportion of ticket holders who seemingly have never seen a match before, but on this occasion even they had pre-concep-tion. And where did it arise? From the press—the overwhelmingly English press.

English press.

Having played all my rugby in England, at school and at club level, I deplore the implications of the rugby correspondents of national newspapers that the illegalities of the game are only prestriend by Welsh teams. Regulpractised by Welsh teams. Regularly before an England-Wales game the press can be relied on point some facet of the Welsh pame, in the manner of "When will you stop beating your wife?" A dozen years ago it was lifting in the line-out, which England were still doing last Saturday, and lately Price was accused of being a mere scrum-collapser by the publicity given to the ill-advised remarks of

J. A. MORGAN, 47 Windsor Avenue, Radyr Cardiff. February 18.

University of Reading,

Whiteknights,

Reading

From Mr Geoffrey Strickland

Sir, I had expected Mr Rees-Moze's

recommendation of convertibility to

gold (February 1) to receive exten-

sive comment in your correspond-

of conduct?

Yours faithfully,

Convertibility to gold A doctor's time

Sir. Much of the reluctance by medical specialists to advise in medico-legal cases relates to the possibility of a court appearance (Mr David Caro, February 21).

ence columns. Since it has not, may The best opinions often come I-though not an economist-point from the busiest NHS doctors who have to cancel clinics etc at short out that if it were to be put into effect and proved successful, it would be a posthumous vindication rotice, and inconvenience patients who may have been waiting a long time for their appointments. Any of General de Gaulle, whose own opinions in this respect were close to those of Mr Rees-Mogg and de system that reduced the waiting time for a court appearance would Caulle's own adviser Jacques encourage more participation by those whose opinions are most Rueff? Yours sincerely GEOFFREY STRICKLAND, Department of French Studies, valued.

Yours faithfully. IONATHAN HAZELL, 14 Denewood Road, Highgate, No.

From Mr Jonathan Hazell

(February 22). He made the point clearly that there is no interruption in the work being done towards creating a climate for peace in Northern Ireland. The members of the Community of the Peace People have differed over method and organization, but there has been no difference of opinion among them as to their objective. They will go on working, individually

will go on working, individually and collectively, towards peace, as do those many other groups who make up the forces of reason and sanity in Ireland. Members of the Peace People of England, Scotland and Wales will continue to support such work.
Out of its slender resources this organization has already contributed to the Corrymeela and Glencree reconciliation centres, where families of all backgrounds meet together to learn and work together We support all work which provides

Peace groups in

Northern Ireland

From Mrs Christopher Ewart-Biggs

Sir. I welcome Mr David Bleakley's letter in your columns today (February 22). He made the point

we support all work water provides cultural, recreational and sporting activities for Northern Ireland's youth. This is our priority since inday's stone-throwing child so easily becomes tomorrow's killer.

Such work deserves the support of all reasonable people on both of all reasonable people on sides of the Irish Sea. Yours faithfully,

JANE EWART-BIGGS, 31 Radnor Walk, S.W.3. February 22.

A word for the Vikings

From Professor Ian Finlay Sir, Press and BEC comments on the Viking exhibition at the British Museum hail it as revealing the Viking: were not mere pirates. Most of us who have lived in areas strongly influenced by them have long realized their virtues, and I recall a day many years ago at Uppsala when Professor Bertii Almgren brilliantly demonstrated to my wife and me just bow cul-tured and progressive people they

Any visitor to the exhibition may glimpse-no more than that-their impact on the culture of a people they descended upon if he cares to look at the decoration on the museum's ball-shrine from Tipperary, known as the "Bearnan Cuileain". The whiskered masks on it could have come out of the

Oseberg ship-burial. Yet, to keep the record straight. their reputation for rapine is not entirely a fiction of the monkish chroniclers, as implied by some accounts of the exhibition.

As the most recent writer on the life of St Columba, I have snent much time in examining the Columban church, the most interesting evidence about which is reflected in its art. Of the Irish merabyork surviving from the merabyork surviving from the eighth century, about half is Viking plunder new in Scandinarien museums. Much has been crushed up as bullion, like the silver hoard

from Euskerud in Cslo. The irony of this is that. not for the Viking practice of bury ing loot with rhe dead, we should know much less about that objuch which kept the flame of Christianity burning in western Europe and which eventually helped con vert the Vikings.

FINLAY. Currie Ricas. Newmills Road. Balerno. Edinburgh February 18.

From Miss Adrienne Corri Sir, Herodotus mentions amongst the army of Xerxes, troops who

"had small shields made of the hide of an ox, and carried each of them two spears such as are used in wolf hunting. Erazen helmets protected their heads; and above these they wore the ears and horns of an ox lashioned in brass. They also had crests on their helms; and their legs were bound round with purple bands. There is an oracle of Mars in the country of The name of this action has been

lost. Vikings perhaps? Yours faithfully. ADRIENNE CORRL Springfield Road, NW8. February 13.

Ripeness is all

From the Education-Chief of Which? Sir. If Mr Levin (February 19) would care to drop in one lunch-time. I would explain to him—over a glass of wine and some by now well-matured test samples of Gjetest, Requestert and Denizh Blue the (11) types of choose in the shops, and the (68) varieties of those types which were found to be reasonably widely available. And I would be happy to promise to put we write to the test of "Could Mr Levin misunderstand it?" this secure the promised goat's cheese with Armagnac? Yours faithfuily. TIM CRAWLEY-BOEVEY, Editor-in-Chief, Which? Consumers' Association. 14 Buckingham Street, WC2.

Movable feest? From Miss Hilary Webh

February 19.

Sir, The plight of the inhabitants of Finisterre, where starlings are said (report, February 20) to be consuming 30 tons of corn a dry, is appalling, it is a desperate situa-tion and requires desperate mea-sures, and I would like to offer a possible remedy which, with good will, could solve two problems at

How about introducing the birds to a diet of Colden Delicious apples If they are really hungry they would perhaps not be ten particular about what they are, and might in time even come to chiev them. And we, for our part, would gladly forgo our right to the crop in such a deserving cause. Yours faithfully,

HILARY WEER, 42 Meadowside Road. Cheam,

February 21.

rvative for London East, has made

is much too early to say that the days of the peripatetic Parliament are numbered, but a campaign is afoot among parliamentarians to outflank the Council of Ministers, which has defaulted on Article 216 of the EEC Treaty, by fixing a single location in the Parliament's own rules of procedure. Leaders of the political groups in conclave last week also looked at another procedural device for circumventing the council: a grand committee that would, like other parliamentary committees, meet in Brussels rather han Strasbourg of Luxembourg Soaring above the butter and milk souring above to be surplus upar plateaux, and the wine lakes, who we needs to be particularly sale-sighted to describe some he more outrageous Community offices. The parliamentary folly is not it will sit in Strasbourg for a get 13 or 14 times in 1980, that s administrative staff will work and live 138 miles away in Luxemourg, and that its committee meetngs will be held near the Commision in Brussels, which lies 145 ules from Luxembourg and 283 iles from Strathourg. Every time it in Strasbourg or Brussels, vans e loaded as for a travelling circus and MPs and staff take to the road. Alan Tyrrell, QC. the British Con-

places costs in all £140m a year, and adds that he sees no reason why the Community texpaver should not be spared most of that bill. More to the important point, his legal researches suggest that the solution to the problem, contrary to the view held

A short recall of post-war Commurity history may not come amiss. Strasbourg's dominant place in West European affairs derives from Ernest Bevin, the British Foreign Secretary, who saw a city that had been in and out of French and German hands as an apt symbol of European unity that must be. The chamber and headquarters of the Council of Europe were built there; and to this day the Parliament's hemicycle and offices belong to the Council of Europe, if only because after direct elections no other chamber was available to take 410 members and their supporting staffs. (Luxembourg has now completed and furnished a hemicycle

that is specifically designed for the But in the early days of the Com-munity when the Assembly or Parliament) claimed to be of less importance, the sparis had to be disimportance, the spars near to be dis-tributed fairly wide. Brussels took the Commission; Luxembourg had the Parliament's headquarters, Court of Justice, and European Investment Bank: and Strasbourg provided the parliament building for plenary sessions. In 1985 the Six pronounced formally that Luxembourg, Brusseis and Strasbourg shall remain the provisional places of work of the institutions of the Community."

That is still the position. But for-ward the lawyers. Mr Tyrrell and his supporters now point out that the Council of Ministers has defaulted on Article 216 of the foundation Treaty: "The seat of the Community's institutions shall be fixed by the Governments of the Member States acting in common agreement." "Seat" in the singular, let it be noted. There is no Treaty reference to provisional working places, and Article 142 of the Treaty allows the

lawyers, to fix its own single working place in default of a decision by the Council of Ministers. In spite of the clear words of the raty, the governments of the Six

Assembly to "adopt its rules of pro-cedure by a vote of the majority of its members" and thereby, argue the

in the old nominated Parliament, lies entirely in the hands of MEPSs.

Strasbourg.

Accidents of history have also involved the staff, wives and fami-lies of the peripatetic Parliament, be cut out of the itinerary houses in Luxembourg at a loss and

the Parliament has come under warning that a multinational demoerectic institutions stands peculiarly at the mercy of interpreters and trans'ators, simply because no busi consult causes threats to withdraw from their goldfish-bowl cubicles.

nently on the European map.

From Mr L. J. Macjarlane Sir. The statement made in Parlia-ment on February 15 by the Solicitor General for Scotland, Mr Nicholas

From the earliest centuries of Scorland's conversion to Christianity down to 1560, his country, like every other civilised European com-munity, was subject to canon law, which expressly forbade the destruc-tion of the live focus in utero, rrearing such, like infanticide, as an affront to God, the giver of life, and a crime against man (Corpus luris Canonici. Decrerales Greg. IX, Lib. V, tit. 12, c.xx. De homicidio valun-tario vel casuali, Anno xiv, AD 12111. Yours faithfully.

. J. MACFARLANE Old Aberdeen.

Dealarenc

From the Director of the Royal National Institute for the Deaf Sir, Stanley Reynolds must be taken to task for his review on February

we hope that the public will dis-miss once and for all the idea that it is a condition only to be treated



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE BUCKINGHAM PALACE
February 23: By command of The
Queen, the Lord Hamilton of
Dalzell (Lord in Waiting) was
present at Heathrow Airport
London this evening upon the departure of the President of the
Republic of Kenya and bade farewell to His Excellency on behalf
of Har Majesty. well to his Extended of Edinof. February 24: The Duke of Edinoburgh, Patron of the Windsor Rugby Football Club, attended the Annual President's Morning in the Home Park, Windsor,

Alice Countess of celebrates her birthday

Birthdays today

Mr John Arlott. 66; Mr Anthony Burgess, 63; Mr Tom Courtenay, 43; Sir Antony Duff, 60; Sir Alan Marre, 66; the Right Rev Dr J. A. Ramsbotham. 74; Sir Henry T. Smith, 75; Air Marshal Sir Keith Williamson, 52

Today's engagements

Priocess Anne, colonel-in-chief, visits Royal Corps of Signals sovereign base areas, Cyprus. The Crown Jewels, now refurbished, are on display, Jewel House, Tower of London. Black Watch speciacular, band of The Black Watch, pipes and Mighland dancers, Wembley Conference Centre, Wembley, 7,30.

7.30.
Exhibitions: The Vikings, British
Museum, 10-5: Norman Smith,
Woodland Art Gallery, 90
Mycenac Road, Greenwich, 10-6;
Walter Pfeiffer, Landscape
photography, Asahi Pentax
gallery, Vigo Street, Westmick
Ster 10.4. Hungarian Graphica gallery, Vigo Street, Westmin-ster, 10-4; Hungarian graphics, Concourse Gallery. 35 Maryle-bone Road: 8-30-8-30 Lectures: Film time: Bernini, the Ecstasy of St. Theresa, Charles Le Brun, Georges de la Tour, National Gallery, 1; Silver: the Victorians and after. Myrtle Ellis, V. and A. Museum, 12; Women and Sexuality. Bea Campbell, North London Polytechnic. Holloway, 6,30; Braque's approach to life, Jennifer Stern. Tate Gallery, 1. Lunchtime music: Piano recital, Philip Pilkington, St. Lawrence Lewry, 1; organ recital, Jonathan Rennert, St. Michael's Cornbill, 1. Lectures: Film time: Bernini, the

Momorial service: Lord Justice Goff, Lincoln's Inn chapel, 5.

Dinner

Association of Conservative Clubs
The annual conference and dinner
of the Association of Conservative Clubs, North-West Area, was
hald at the Hotel St George,
Harrogate, at the weekend. Among
tiose present were Sir Walter
Clean Me president his Straley tiose present were Sir Walter Clegg, MP, president, Mr Stanley Windell. chairman, and the principal guests. Mr Mark Carlisle. QC, MP, and Sir Donald Kaberry, MP.

Service dinner

Liverpool University OTC (TA) Liverpool University Officers' Training Corps held their annual dinner at the Mabel Fletcher Technical College, Liverpool, on Saturday. The dinner marked the dining-out of General Sir Noel Thomas, Honorary Colonel, who with Lady Thomas was guest of honour. Major A. Cross presided and other principal guests included. Included:
The Lord Lieutenant of Merseyside.
the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, MajorGeneral P. A. Downward (honoraryrolone) designate. Professor W. D.
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St Albans Cathedral

In an article last Wednesday we referred to the part played by a professional fund-raising company connexion with the appeal for St Albans Cathedral. Any sugges-tion that the company concerned. Craignyle and Co Ltd, had been "dismissed" is entirely untrue and we apologize for any embarrassment such a suggestion may

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Mysticism: exploring the fundamentals of religious belief

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs

The great wave of enthusiasm or eastern mysricism which broke over the West in the sixties and seventies has begun to degenerate into eccentric and bizarre commercialized and bizarre commercialized cultism, and western culture seems to have absorbed little from it. The movement rapidly took on the marginal and frag-mented character which has always been a feature of ex-clusive sectarianism. The fashion for spiritual panaceas has turned its attention elsewhere, currently, it seems, towards esoteric psychology.

The phenomenon was never-theless a symptom of a need not being met by orthodox western religion, a general de-ficiency which may explain not only the minority fascination with the exotic, but which, no doubt, also contributes to the majority state of disinterested religious agnosticism. Routine Christian churchgoing is not felt to be an effective way of meeting any serious require-ment of the contemporary personality, nor a help towards growth and insight, nor a source

growth and insight, nor a source of spiritual guidance.

Even those faithfully the main conservative religious traditions of the West, such as Christianity, Judaism and Islam, are perplexed by the challenge of secularism, and

Forthcoming | marriages

Mr P. G. Brook
and Miss M. J. McLaren
The engagement is announced
between Peter Geoffrey, elder son
of Mr and Mrs C. G. Brook, of
East Meon, Hampshire, and
Mirabel Jane, younger daughter
of the late Mr A. D. McLaren and
Mrs McLaren of Headingley,
Leeds.

Dr A. F. Colver and Miss P. A. Bowen The engagement is announced between Allan, elder son of the late Dr Thomas Colver and Mrs William Proctor, of Sheffield, and Appended Auguster of Dr and Anne, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs Ronald Bowen, of London, NW11.

Mr A. K. Cunningham and Miss F. L. da Cunha The engagement is announced between Alexander, eldest son of Mr and Mrs C. J. Cunningham, of Westcott Barton. Oxford, and Frances, youngest daughter of his Honour Judge and Mrs John da Cunha, of Mobberley, Cheshire.

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The engagement is amounced between Michael, elder son of Mr and Mrs Colin Cuder, of Maldenhead, Berkshire, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Patrick Miles, of Chalfont St Perer, Buckinghamshire.

Mr N. P. Kennedy and Miss J. E. M. Phillips The engagement is autoonced between Nigel, only son of the late tween Nigel, only son of the late Mr John Kennedy and Mrs Duncan Forbes, of Solihull. Warwickshire, and Joanna, only daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Phillips, of Cuffley.

Hertfordshire.

Mr J. S. Palmer
and Miss F. M. C. Cooper
The engagement is announced hetween Jonathan, son of Mr and
Mrs Mervyn Palmer, of Hastings,
and Frances, daughter of Mr and
Mrs Osmund Cooper, of Chester.

Mr C. R. Troeberg
and Miss M. A. Mackenzie
The engagement is announced
between Craig Richard Troeberg,
only son of Mr and Mrs C. S.
Oatley, of Sandson, South Africa,
and Mary Anne, elder daughter of
Mr and Mrs Ian Mackenzie, of
Stone House, Parktown, Johannesburg. South Africa.

Mr H, Watkins
and Miss I. E. Davidson

Mr H. Watkins
and Miss J. E. Davidson
The engagement is announced
between Hywel, son of Mr and
Mrs John Watkins, of Llandysul,
Dyfed, and Jane Elizabeth, daughter of Professor Lindsay Davidson,
of Sydney, Australia, and Dr
Joyce Davidson, of Radyr, Cardiff.

Premium bond winners Winning numbers in the weekly draw for £100,000, £50,000, and £25,000 Premium Savings Bond prizes, announced on Saturday.

are: 5100,000: 4BW 966531 (location of prize-winner, south Yorkshire); 550,000: 7RL 292967 (Essex); 525,000: 16WK 130864 (Surrey).

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increasingly aware of their own incapacity to meet it.

The main religious traditions do not seem to thrive if they try to meet secularism halfway, becoming social movements with an overlay of mild ritual and negotiable doctrine. Gradually, however, another sort of response is beginning to emerge, a return to the fundamentals of religious existence. Every main religion has its own response 15 beginning to emerge, a return to the funda-mentals of religious existence. Every main religion has its own mystical tradition, however ob-

scured it may have become ritualism, legalism and other distractions
Although each form of
mysticism has its particular identity, there is a great deal of correspondence reported by those who have intimate ex-perience of more than one fashionable Unlike

pseudo-mysticism of the past decade and a half, these old and traditions evolved only gradually, and are not suited to sudden transplanting or adaptation.

Christian mysticism, primarily manifest in Catholic mysticism, is typically monastic and celibate, and hence rather inaccessible to those without that special vocation. The non-Christian traditions are better suited to a non-vocational approach, and more available, therefore, to those who wish to, or have to remain in secular proact, and more available, the imposition of one will upon therefore, to those who wish to, another, which sets them apart or have to remain in secular from those religious methods society. This points to the need which work by emotionalism,

Unlike the pseudo-mysticism the fashion for which has passed, these aucient traditions offer no easy answers. The invariable key to progress is a certain kind of mental determination and perseverance, and a certain kind of internal discipling In their various wave a certain kind of internal dis-cipline. In their various ways, they all talk of humility, the control of the contents of con-sciousness and the subordination of ego and will-power. "Ambi-tion to succeed" in mysticism is paradoxically an almost fatal

The real content of mysticism defies description or logical analysis and, indeed, the over-descriptive or logically analy-tical mind is barred from entering. All mystical "paths" or "ways" emphasize the import-tance of a teacher or director to whom complete respect is due. None of them works by direct psychological pressure oc

omension of reality which obeys none of the familiar relationships of cause and effect, and does not yield its secrets to linear chinking. But far from being remote from everyday experience, the insights of mysticism seem to have direct relevance in per-

have direct relevance to per-sonal growth, balance and ful-filment; and the very substance of the energies with which mysticism is concerned, is the common or garden and univer-sal entity called love. It is concerned therefore with that. whose presence or absence in every human relationship deter-mines its meaning and value. The mystical world is imme-The revival of Catholic monasticism, and hence of the

main Christian mystical re-source, is described in Con-sider You Call, a Theology of Monastic Life Today, which is to be republished in paperback by SPCK at £6.50. A clear and attractive account of one successful mystical journey is given in Guidelines for Mystical Prayer, by Ruth Burrows, published in 1976 by Sheed and Ward at £3, and still in print. Sufi mysticism, from the Islamic religious tradition, has a close affinity to Christian mysticism, which it has sometimes directly sumulated in the past: both St Francis and St can be trusted.

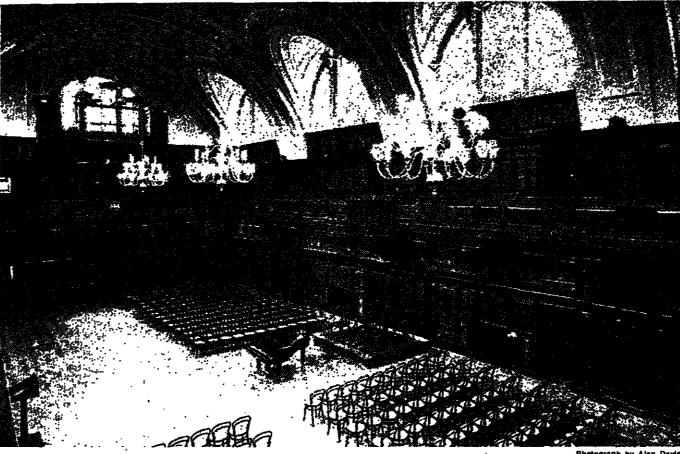
enced by it, and there are those who perceive the possibilities of a new fertilization from that direction into western Chris-

tianity.

The works of Idnes Sha, published by the Octagon Press, have made it accessible in Britain. The deep and extra-Britain. The deep and extraordinary correspondence between apparently very dissimilar traditions, is explored in
Zen and the Bible, A Private
Experience, by J. K. Kadowaki,
SJ, which is not lacking in
resonances with Sufism, nor
Buddhism, yet is anchored in
an orthodox Jesuit spirituality.
A forthogoning work, due to be A forthcoming work, due to be published by Collins in April, is Towards a new Mysticism, by Ursula King, which discusses the encounters and experiences of Teithard de Chardin with eastern mysticism.

In Britain, where mysticism has made only spasmodic experiences since the Reformation, an indigenous focus has been discovered in the work of the Medieval anchorize Mother Ine memeral anchorke mother Julian of Norwich. The Dean of St Paul's, the Very Reverend Alan Webster, has started the beginnings of the movement, based on her mysical teachings. The world of mysicism is stiff with felsities and the list and with falsities and the first and necessary pales therefore, has to be discrimination. Each of

to be discrimination. the sources mentioned above



The Great Hall of University College School, in Hampstead, London, which will be opened by the Queen on Wednesday to mark the school's 150th anniversary. The hall was severely damaged by fire in April, 1978, and rebuilt, using English oak, at a cost of more than £1m.

\$50,000 paid for rare Delft candlesticks

By Huon Mallalieu Christle's sold silver and objects

of virtu in New York on Friday for a total of \$789,225, or £343,141, with less than 1 per cent bought in.

The London and New York trades took most of the more highly priced items. However, the most expensive lot of all was bought anonymously at 530,000, or 521,739. It was a pair of rare plain Dutch table candlesticks with square; fluted columns and bases, made in Delft either in 1677 or 1701 (estimate \$15,000 to \$28.000).

S. J. Phillips, from London, paid \$29,000, or £12,603, for a Louis XV smifbox in varicoloured gold, made by Charles le Bastier, of Paris, in 1762, and decorated with rustic scenes (estimate \$10,000 to \$15,000).

A pair of elaborate Victorian four-light candelabra in the rococo taste by Robert Garrard, of London, 1853, sold to Koopman at \$19,000, or \$3,260 (estimate \$10,000 to \$15,000). mate \$10,000 to \$15.000).

A second Louis XV gold snuffbox, probably by P. F. Royer, of Paris, 1772, went to A la Russie, a New York dealer, at \$17.000 to \$7.000 and Shrubsole paid the same price for a pair of George III Irish silver soop tureens by Richard Williams, of Dublin, 1780 (estimate \$10,000 to \$15.000). mate \$10,000 to \$15.0001.

On Saturday, also in New York, there was a sale of French and Continental furniture and decorations at Sotheby Parke Bernet. The most expensive offering was a sturdy mid-sight-continuous. a sturdy, mid-eighteenth-century a sturdy, mid-eighteenm-tenury German rococo walbut secretaire chest of drawers, which made \$25,000, or £10,917 (estimate \$15,000 to \$20,000), and a similar walnut, fruitwood and marquery bureau chest of drawers reached \$12,000, or £5,240 (estimate \$5,000 to \$10,000 \$12,000, or 53 \$8,000 to \$10,0001.

A pair of nineteenth-century Italian nerclassical busts, with black marble heads and coloured marble togas, made \$15,000, or 26,550 (estimate \$20,000 to \$30,000).

Science report

Immunology: Cause of a rare disease

By the Staff of Nature Research on patients suffering from a rare arthritic disease may provide a clue to the reasons for the association between tissue type and susceptibility to disease.

The link was discovered because of the interest in tissue-typing generated by the increasing use of transplant surgery. But it is only with recent advances in immunology that scientists have begun to understand just how tissue type may influence susceptibility.

Those recent insights have led a team of Australian biologists to suggest that the rare arthritic disease, ankylosing spondylitis, may be due to complications from a bacterial infection in people with a particular tissue type.

The fundamental discovery that inspired the Australian investigation was that the transplantation type and susceptibility to disease.

inspired the Australian investiga-tion was that the transplantation antigens that determine tissue type are crucial to the normal func-tioning of the immune system in its attack on disease. Transplantaits attack on disease. Transplanta-tion antigens are molecules on the surface of all body cells, in-cluding the white blood cells that make up the immune system. In the highly abnormal circum-stances of organ transplantation, those antigens on the surface of the transplanted tissues are recog-mized by the host immune system as "foreign". But in ordinary circumstances transplantation ann-

as "foreign". But in ordinary circumstances transplantation antigens on the surface of white blood cells are used as signals that coordinate the response of those cells to infection.

That discovery led immunologists to wonder whether some discases might result from disturbances in the recognition system that would cause immune cells to attack rissues in the hody to which attack tissues in the body to which they belonged. That idea seemed Hospi particularly plausible for diseases Wales such as arthritis, in which there is cells

Latest wills

inflammation and destruction of tissue, as in an immune attack.

Such an autoimmune attack ture fluid raken from dishes in the transfer of the state might be started by infection if the infection was able to alter tissue cells' surfaces in such a way as to make them look "foreign". as to make them look "foreign". That is believed to happen in the case of viral infection. When a virus infects a cell it may after the transplantation antigens on the surface of the cell so that they look foreign, and the cell is attacked and destroyed before the virus infection can spread.

But the evidence recently collected by Dr A. F. Gecty and his colleagues at the New South Wales Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service in Sydney suggests that in

vice in Sydney suggests that in ankylosing spondyllits the trigger-ing infection may be bacterial rather than viral.

The disease is closely associated

The disease is closely associated with a transplantation antigen known as B27. While the antigen is found in about 20 per ceft of the population at large, it occurs in about 90 per cent of patients with ankylosing spondylitis.

About two years ago De Geezy and his collaborators discovered that antibodies against the bacterium. Klebsiella pneumoniae, would kill cells taken from ankylosing spondylitis patients with the B27 tissue type, though they would not kill cells from healthy individuals with or without that issue type.

tissue type.
One possible reason for that reaction was that a substance made by the bacterium altered the made by the bacterium altered the appearance of the B27 antigen to make it resemble the "foreign" Klebsicila surface markers. To test that idea, Dr Geczy and his colleagues have collaborated with Dr J. Edmonds at the St George Hospital, in Kograh, New South Wales, to run further tests on cells from normal, healthy

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Elsie May Gullick, of Rayleigh,
Essex, who left £30,986 net, be
queathed all her property to the
National Society for Mentally
Handicapped Children,
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Thorpe Bay, Essex, Conservative

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What they now find is that cul-ture fluid taken from dishes in which Klebsielia strain K43 bas heen growing contains a substance which can make normal B27 cells susceptible to attack by anti-Klebsiella antibodies. They become susceptible after being incubated in the bacterial culture fluid for 24 hours. Klebsiella

fluid for 24 hours.

To check that the result was not due simply to hits of the bacterium remaining in the culture fluid. Dr Geczy and his collaborators tried the same experiment with cells that did not bear the B27 tissue type. Those cells, when incubated (or 24 hours with Klebsiella culture medium, were not killed by auti-Klebsiella anti-bodies.

Those experiments suggest that

Those experiments suggest that Those experiments suggest that a combination of the B27 tissue type and infection with Klehsicila K43 may combine to turn the immune system against its own body tissues and cause the inflammation of the joints that occurs in ankylosing spondylitis. The facts that although many body tissues bear the B27 marker it is only the joint tissues that are attacked, and that not absolutely all patients with ankylosing all patients with ankylosing spondyllits have the B27 tissue type, mean that there must be other factors in the disease that other factors in the disease that have yet to be discovered.
But if the results of Dr Geczy and his coworkers can be confirmed by other immunologists, they may represent a first step in discovering the mechanisms that account for the association hetween tissue-type and arthrific disease.

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Hargreaves, Mrs Amy of St Anneson-Sea £27,189
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Woodbridge, Suffolk, left £546,401.

Strains in RSPCA worse after heated debate

Relations between the two factions in the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals prevention of Crueity to Animals are worse after the general meeting on Saturday. The attitudes and beliefs of each side are so far apart that mutual understanding is fleening and easily lost, and each regards the other with a mixture of defiance and suspicion.

The distinguishing features of the The distinguishing feature of the clash in the society is that no-body appears to be interested in detente. Many of the 1,400 mem-hers who crowded into a half meant for 1,200 expected a decisive victory over those who opposed RSPCA membership of the Government's Farm Animal Welfare Council (FAWC). After a five-hour debate punctuated by shours of "nonsense". "rubblsh". "Nazi" and "Marxist" the society expressed disapproval of action taken by some of its leaders over FAWC, but it did not remove those responsible.

Hugh Clayton Agriculture

wanted to do so, hat were for-hadden to by the council.

The 11 members of the council who voted against their joining FAWC criticized them for accept-ing instations from Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agraculture, Fisheries and Frond, without tell-ing the council first. Mr Hopkins and Mr Brown sat impassively as the debate raced round them on

FAWC crithined them for accepting my invitations from Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Frod, without telling the council first, Mr Hopkins and Mr Brown sat impassively as the defate raged round them on Saturday.

Mrs Jean Hendry, one of the 11, said: "The men hand-picked by the minister were not those whom I would have chosen".

MB5- Janet Fookes, Conservative Mr Peter Roberts, one of the 11 described FAWC as "nothing more than a sop to public online it would have chosen".

MR for Plymouth, Drake, and chalrman of the society, spoke about FAWC for the first time on Saturday.

There was obviously a difference of common on how the society about FAWC for the society and for him spiking the welfarists."

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and remove ourselves if we found that it was not working."

Mrs Joan Felthouse, Sufford hranch secretary, asked how the society was to put its views to the public. "We have lost our mouthpiese on the only committee that its going to have any standing in the future."

Mrs Ruth Harrison, a member of FAWC, accused critics of Mr Walker of impudence. "The RSPCA council could learn much from FAWC in hering able to differ in a treendly and criticed way, she said. "For the RSPCA to boyout if would be incredibly toolish. You are not hurting FAWC, you are hurting the RSPCA and farm animals."

Mr Peter Roberts, one of the 11, described FAWC as "nothing more than a sop to public holds. You are not hurting the RSPCA on the condition." He went on: "Mr Walker has laid a trap for the RSPCA. The National Farmers' the people on FAWC and I am even more suspicious."

If staff of the society joined the FAWC, Mr Walker could have used their presence to cloak his sections in westerness. used their presence to cloak his decisions in respectability. "I can see him getting up in the House of Commons". Mr Gorse said. "and saving he has been advised by FAWC that we do not need

OBITUARY

MR EVAN MAUDE Distinguished career in the Civil Service

A correspondent writes: The death of Evan Maude after a brief illness on February 11 deprives the public service of a talented colleague and a wider circle of a cultivated and likeable friend.

Evan Walter Maude, as the son of Sir John Maude, Secretary to the Ministry of Health, was bred into a tradition of public service.

He was born on February 11, 1919—and so died on his 61st birthday. Like his father before birn he was educated at Rugby, but he himself went up to New College, Oxford, where he read for the Honours School of Politics, Philosophy and Economics. The outbreak of war in 1939 interrupted his studies. He joined the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve and served with distinction in the Fleet Air Arm, being mentioned in

On demobilization he did not return to Oxford, but graduated under arrangements made for ex-Servicemen, and he entered the Treasury in 1946. His abilities, his industry and his conscientiousness were quickly conscientiousness were quickly recognized, and his feet were soon on the rungs of the ladder leading to the highest posts. He was Assistant Private Secretary to the Chancellor of the Exchequer (first Hugh Dalton, then Sir Stafford Cripps) in 1947-48; Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for the Coordination of Transport, Fuel and Power (Lord Leathers) in Co-ordination of Transport, Fuel and Power (Lord Leathers) in 1951-53; and Priocipal Private Secretary to the Chancellor of the Exchequer (in succession Mr Harold Macmillan, Lord Thorneycroft and Lord Amory) in 1956-58. Such spells in the private office are regarded as the ideal training for personal reconstibility and so it was responsibility, and so it was with Maude, who became Assistant Under Secretary of State in the Department of Economic Affairs in 1964 and Deputy Under Secretary in 1966.

In the following year it became the turn of the Treasury to provide the Economic Minister at the British Embassy in Washington, and the choice fell on Maude. In the two years was also the British Executive

Director in the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund. He was made CB in

1968. On his return to England he On his return to England he was made Third Secretary at the Treasury, and in 1970 was appointed Deputy Secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

His career to this point had fulfilled all the hopes reposed in his base of the secretary and the second seco

in him, but at the early age of 52 he suffered a stroke. He recovered and was able to fulfil all his official duties and even to take part in vigorous exer-cise, but thereafter he coasted rather than thrusted along, and but for this setback there is no doubt that he would have been called to even higher responsibilities. He retired from the Civil Service on reaching the age of 60, and it was a second stroke that took his life a year-

later.

In retirement he was able to pursue the hobbies and pastimes that made him such an agreeable companion. He was fond of music and a competent flaurist. He was a good skiler, and had booked a skiling holiday and had broked a sking honday at Kirabühel for next month. But his greatest love was sail-ing. He had taken a corrage on the Dart at Dittisham and made it the base for many adventu-rous voyages. He was moreover a skilful amateur carpenter. Evan Mande's life was sus-tained by a Christian faith which was none the less deep for not being paraded. He was churchwarden and treasurer at Sc John's, Downshire Hill, in the Hampstead Road where hived for the latter years of his life, and he rendered great ser-vice to that elegant proprietary chapel, one of the few still left. In his retirement he gave

meticulous attention to the affairs of the Abbeyfield Society, which provides sheltered housing for lonely elderly He had married in 1949 Jen-uifer, daughter of the late Sir Edward Robinson, whose first husband, Oscar Theodore Bulmer, had been killed in the war, and he proved a devoted stepfather to their daughter. His own marriage was an idylic partnership, made all the hap-pier by three daughters who with their mother survive him.

He returned to England as a Group Captain and Administration Officer of No 11 Fighter Group, and married Toni Rowley, with whom he had

a happy married life till she died in 1972.

He received the acting rank of Air Vice-Marshal for his next

appointment, which was to Formosa, where he renewed his friendship with the Chinesc

Japanese air raids.

AIR COMMODORE JAMES WARBURTON Chang Kai Shek during the

M. S. L. R. writes: Air Commodore James Warburton died on February 16. James Warburton was born in 1904, and joined the Royal Naval College, Osborne, as a member of the Blake Term in 1918, distinguishing himself by becoming sabres champion at Olympia. When the Royal Navy had to be cut down after World War I, be transferred to the Royal Air Force, passing out of the College at Cranwell in 1922. He was appointed to a 3 year language course in Japan and 1934, as a result of which his future appointments were mainly in the Far East. During Combined Intelligence Bureau

Nationalist leader.
On his return to England he commanded an Air Force Group in Rufforth near Catterick, and after retiring from the Air Force he worked for a number of years as Director of His hobby was golf, and he was a well-known and popular figure at the Royal Swinley Golf Club. He was a member of Bucks Club and he a great

in Singapore, and in 1940 went via Rangoon and the Burma Road to Chungking, as Air Attache to the British Ambasnumber of friends, by whom he

sador in China, where he had number of friends, b close contact with General will be sadly missed.

SIR HAROLD MULLENS Sir Harold Mullens, FIEE,

FRSA, who died on February 19 on his eightieth birthday. had a long and notable career in the electricity industry which began when he joined the old North Eastern Electric North Eastern Electric Supply Company, Ltd in 1926, becoming the company's deputy general manager before elec-

tricity was nationalized in the late 1940s. He was chairman of the new North Eastern Electricity Board from 1948 to 1954 when he resigned to become managing director of the important firm of A. Reyrolle and Company Ltd. When Sir Claude Gibb relinquished the chairmanship in 1958 Mullens succeeded him.

SIR MAURICE HACKETT Sir Maurice Hackett, OBE,

who died on February 16 at the age of 74 while on a visit to his family in Karachi, was chairman of the NV Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board from 1965 to 1974.

From 1935 to 1940 he worked in the Base Construct the in the Press Department at the in the Press Department at the Labour Party headquarters and then served a long spell with, first, the Ministry of Information and subsequently the Central Office of Information where he became head of the speakers' section and then Chief Regional Officer. London SE Region. From 1966 to 1971 he was chairman of the SE Region Economic Planning Council and from 1969 to 1971 was a mem-Economic Planning Council and from 1969 to 1971 was a member of the Land Commission. He gave much service to other hospital management committees and also sat on the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

His wife, Deborah Levenewhom he married in 1924 died in 1969.

Mr Cecil Dennis Waldron, CVO, OBE, formerly Comman-dant of Prestwick Airport, died on February 11.

From The Times of Thursday, Feb. 24, 1935. M Faure in power

science degree at the University of Durham. He framed much of the policy that led to the growth of the two companies and took a leading part in forming the Nuclear Power Group, of which he was later deputy chairman. At the time of his death he was president of Revrolle Parsons, Ltd. He married in 1932 Winifred McConnell. They had one son and one daughter. **BRUCE WORSLEY** Frederic Lloyd writes: Bruce Worsley, who died on February 19, was born and educated in Cheltenham. He joined the Royal Flying Corps in 1916, was scriously wounded in action, and after the First World War joined

In 1960 he was appointed

chairman of C. A. Parsons and Company Ltd. and he became

the key figure in the merger

between the two companies. A management man for some

years Mullens was by training

an engineer who had taken his

Lilian Baylis and remained with her, first as an actor and then as general manager of the Old Vic until he was recalled to the Royal Air Force in 1939. He came to the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company as business manager in 1930 and remained with them until his retirement in 1967. He was in charge of several of the opera company's American tours and was much liked and respected by the general public and members of

the opera company. He was twice married and is survived by his second wife, Katherine

Mr Arthur Charles Main-waring-Bowen, founder of the British Rheumatism and Arthorary secretary of the associa-tion and from 1949 life vicepresident, died recently, aged

25 years ago

France once more has a new government. M Faure has succeeded where three others have falled. The President's search has been long and tedious. The new constitutional arrangements have certainly not shortened it and may even have made it more difficult. M Faure is a Radical and the government he has formed it a condition of the centre-right. In a predominantly right-ning \$55embly predominantly right-ning Assembly it could hardly be anything else. Though M Mendes-France could In the Indo-Chinese and European

crises lead a Cabinet with a left stepolicy, the present Assembly contains no permanent, moncommunist left-wing majority and can maintain no permanent left-wing Cabinet. What matters urgently to the rest of Europe is not so much France's internal problems, urgent as they are, but the ratification of the European treates. Here France has tarried too long. And here M Faure botatoy has past and by his speeches has made his intentions clearest. He will not delay ratification. He will not tentemplate four-power talks until ratification is a fact, when the treates are pased talks should begin not only about the Far Last. Furope but also about the Far

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- IN BRIEF-

Meccano unions seek to postpone closure date

Unions at the Meccano factory in Liverpool are to seek an extension of the closure deadline imposed by Airfix Industries, the parent company.

This is the result of a visit last Friday by Mr Neil Gough. who is representing a Canadian consortium which is considering a takeover. Mr Gough is due to meet Mr Ralph Erhman, the Airfix chairman, early this

Airfix is due to take the plant back on Thursday at the end of the 90-day statutory notice, during which the fac-tory has been occupied by the workers. More than 500 of them have accepted redundancy

Stronger watchdogs call

Consumers are captives of the nationalized industries, and consumer councils looking after tehir interests should be strengthened. Mr Michael Barnes says in the council's annual report, out today. He adds that it would be a tragedy if the review of "quangos" falled to distinguish between those which did an important job and those which might be

World Bank bonds

The World Bank said a Sw. Fr 100m (£26m) issue of its The World Bank said a Sw that the company needed for 100m (£26m) issue of its neither nationalization nor 10-year bonds, bearing interest workers' comanagement but at 5.75 per cent annually, will required state support, not for be offered to the public at 99 the purposes of enriching the per cent of par tomorrow by a Swiss underwriting group but to enable the group to overheaded by Union Bank of Switzerland. The money will be used for loans to developing

Korea SDR link

South Korea's currency, the won, is being linked to the IMF's special drawing rights and will no longer be pegged to the United States dollar. This is a first step towards a floating exchange system in-volving the currencies of South Korea's major trading partners.

New bank chairman

Signor Giovanni Guidi, managing director of Banco di Roma, has been appointed chairman in place of Signor Leopoldo Modugno, who retires at his own request. Signor Guidi keeps the post of managing director which he will now share with Signor Tommaso Rubbi.

Trinity House order

Trinity House is to place the f9m order for the replacement of its flagship THV Patricia with Robb Caledon of Dundee after tendering worldwide. The new ship's main job will be servicing the 800 Trinity House buoys around the British coast.

Hospital contract

Taylor Woodrow of Nigeria has won a £28m contract to con-struct further phases of the Sokoto Teaching Hospital programme, in the north west of the country. The company was awarded the first phase of the contract in 1974.

Exhibitors 30 pc up

Exhibitors are up by 30 per cent at Electrex, the biannual exhibition of the electrical engineering industry, which is expected to attract 50,000 people to the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, this

Iran uranium stake Iran plans to keep its stake

in the Eurodif uranium enrichment consortium but will not purchase uranium which would have been due to it. Iran, which has a 10 per cent holding, denied that it planned to with-draw from the consortium.

Venezuela oil exports Venezuela's average daily oil

Venezuela's average dany off exports in the first six weeks of 1980 were 14 per cent behind the pace set in all of 1979. Emports to February 14 fell to 1.747 million 42-gallon barrels a day from 2.032 million barrels in 1979.

First of 21,000 car men laid off as Leyland wrestles with sales slump

By Edward Townsend A programme of lay-offs and redundancies throughout BL car and component factories begins today and will involve about 21,000 workers—almost 18 per cent of the workforce—in the coming weeks.

The action has been forced upon BL by the sharp decline in its market share in January and the glut of unsold cars in dealers' showrooms. It is estimated that stocks of BL cars around the country are now sufficient to meet 16 week's

demand, against a normal stock-ing level of 10 weeks, Today, nearly 13,000 workers will be laid off and 6,500 put on short working time. The peak of the lay-offs will be reached in the first week of March when 14,500 will be idle and 6,900 on short time. The combined total will fall to about 9,000 in the last week of

the month.

BL's main-aim is to reduce output of Marina, Maxi, Dolo-mits, Princess and Rover cars. The company said there were an estimated 80,000 vehicles lying unsold at its factories and showrooms.

More layoffs will occur today at the Pressed Steel Fisher plant at Speke, Merseyside, bringing the total without work there to 350, more than a quarter of the workforce. The factory makes bodies for the Dolonte model, production of which is halted at the Canley plant in There could be further layouts if demand for a particular model did not increase, a Leyland

on unusual initiative towards

cluded today a three-day meet-ing devoted to analysing the

problems facing the Fiat car

company. The meeting was attended by 1,000 and represen-

private company and western

Europe's largest Communist

Party speakers took the line

come present and impending

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The Fiat management al-

though invited, did not atend

UK unlikely

to win Irish

The first contract for supply

ing equipment for the Irish Republic's planned £650 million

telecommunications system will be awarded within a matter of

days but is unlikely to go to a British company.

Although the order for a

a small part of the overall

number of telephone exchanges using modern technology is

budget for the network, it will

give the contractor an advant-age over competitors in bidding

for future phases of the system. Ireland's decision to modern

ize has been influenced by the

on new technology and their need for advanced communica-

In 1978 the Irish government

allocated a further £300m to the £350m projected under a five-year plan to modernize the

British Telecommunications Systems (BTS), which markets the British digital telephone

equipment called System X, held discussions with the Irish

neid discussions with the ITSN telecommunications board at least three months before the official launch of System X at the International Telecommuni-

rations Union in Geneva during September 1979.

As far as the Irish were con-cerned their network required

immediate refurbishing, where consumer demand could be

satistied to an acceptable level The government repurt of 1978 had highlighted gross deficien-

had highlighted gross deticien-cies; the total number of tele-phones installed in the country was 16 per 100 of the popula-tion, the waiting list was more than 60.000 and the time be-tween request and installation

was measured in years.
Fresent plans for the Irish

network expansion will mean one million telephones installed in 1985 which will require telecommunications facilities to grow at a minimum of 15 per cent a year.

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By Bill Johnstone

individual enterprise, con-

spokesman said yesterday. "But we are not thinking along those lines at the moment."

Uncertainty over the impact of the dismissal of Mr Derek Robinson, the Longbridge union convenor, was now behind them, the spokesman said, but agreement on a new wage deal was still to be achieved and a number of other problems had to be resolved.

News of the layoffs has angered trade union officials who fear that the company will announce soo neven more redun-dancies than the 25,000 which Leyland claims are necessary as part of the company's recovery plan.

Under this plan -- backed by the Government which is injecting £300m, into the company this year — 13 BL plants will be shut, either fully or partly.

The United Kingdom motor omnonents industry is being hit by the downturn in the new car market and the subsequent contraction of orders from the big producers. Ford, Vauxhall and Talbot as well as BL are all said to have cut their supply schedules.

Among the worst affected will be the small engineering companies, mostly in the West Midlands, which are heavily dependent on business from the beautiful to the state of the the home car manufacturers, particularly BL. Larger component companies have re-duced their reliance on BL in

Communists unveil plan for Fiat

informally as well as local industrialists, politicians from other parties and stade union leaders.

criticism from party speakers

who stressed the need for im-

greater emphasis on the

working conditions and energy saving policies.

cluding the proposed agreement between Alfa Romeo and Nissan

but several company officials meeting results of a mass re-tively small minority.

Mezzogiorno, healthier and safer

All this should happen within

ted an attempt to start a dial-ogue between Italy's biggest ization and decentralization,

The management came in for

a further threat because the national steel strike is hitting supplies. Steel supplies are at critical levels in some areas. There have been limited lay-offs at some companies, but BL's production cutback is expected to have a much quicker

and wider impact.

BL's market share slumped to a record low level of 15 per cent in January. It climbed back to about 18 per cent in the first two weeks of this

the first two weeks of this month and the company is hoping for 20 per cent of the market in March.

The 12m "Buy British" campaign, which got off to a slow start in January, should improve sales in the latter part of this month. BL said March was considered the key month in the campaign. The total United Kingdom car market this year is expected to decline. year is expected to decline from last year's record 1.7 million to 1.5 million with some observers forecasting sales as low as 1.3 million.

Against this background, Ford said last week it was planning to maintain its units sales in the United Kingdom this year which would mean lifting its market share from 28.3 per cent in 1979 to more than 32 per cent. The company hopes to increase domestic output and reduce imports.

Meanwhile, a two-week lay-off for 400 workers at Ford's Halewood, Merseyside plant ends today. The men, who work on the transmission assembly recent years and many have on the transmission assembly expended or diverted in to ex-

opinions of Fiat workers, who were asked to reply to 54 questions. The questionnaires have been submitted to nearly

25,000 of the group's 270,000

workers in Italy but results from only 6,454 have come in so far.

These indicate that slightly under half the workforce belong

to trade unions. On the question

of collaboration with manage-ment, 44.4 per cent thought it necessary, 29.4 per cent possible

and 25.7 per cent impossible.

was their main desire at work was adequate wages and job security (36.5 per cent) followed by a place of work not harmful

The general picture from this

research is that violence and

Fairey bid backers named as NEB chairman expresses anger at Hambros involvement

Equity Capital for Industry, the financial institution set up four years ago and backed by about 300 pension funds and insurance companies, is among a dozen investment groups behind the £19.3m bid by Hambros Bank to buy Fairey Holdings from the National Enterprise Board.

Other groups include the Sun

Other groups include the Sun Life and Prudential assurance companies the pension funds of the Coal Board, Imperial Group and BP, the ICFC, and Thompson Clive the West-End finan-

Meanwhile rumbles of discontent are renortedly echoing around the NEB over Hambros' sudden decision to enter the bidding.
Initial reaction to the bank's

entrepreneurial offer from Sir Arthur Knight, the NEB chairman has been cool. He said his board will "consider the offer", but behind the state-ment is thought to be an angry reaction to what is considered to be an "opportunistic" move by Hambros.

It is understood that Mr

Angus Murray, the Frirey chairman who was appointed to the envingering company when it collapsed two years ago, is amazed at the NEB's cool reception.

A spokesman for Mr Murray said yesterday that the NEB board had been aware that a consortium was being put together to bid for the whole of Fairey since September 21.
The move to ask Hoare

Govert the stockbrokers if they could put a number of interested parties together followed the June meeting between the NEB and Hambros Bank. This was to explore the likelihood of refloating Fairey to public ownership as part of the Government's plan of achieving £100m of asset sale within its first year in office. At that time Hambros said market conditions were not market conditions were not

favourable for a flotation and the idea of asking Houre Govett to approach financial institu-tions in the City was agreed between Mr Murray and Sir Lesliz Murphy who was then NEB chairman. When Sir Leslie resigned

from the NEB over the Rolls-Royce issue, Mr Murray went to Sir Arthur Knight, his successor, who endorsed the idea of a syndicate.
On February 15 Mr Murray

was approached by Hambros and asked how a bid by Hambros on behalf of a consortium of a dozen financial institutions would be received. Seven days later Hambros launched its bid with the whole-hearted approach of Mr Murray and the Fairey Board.

blue is nonsense. The NEB

The spokesman for Mr Murray said: "To say that this Hambros offer came out of the

board were aware of what was happening at every sage".

The Hambros plan is particularly appealing to Mr Murray. who has consistently defended any approaches which would in Fairey's lead to the splitting up of the operations.

engineering group which the NEB bought from the receiver for £20m. If the Hambros bid is successful, it, with two other intermediaries will place the bulk of Fairey's capital with the dozen institutions. They in turn would expect to float Fairey as a public company once again in about two years. Hambros would intend to retain about 10 per cent of the capital of Fairey for its own funds, though whether this stake would include holdings by Hoare Govett and Thompson Clive, the other two participants in a placing If the Hambros bid is success

two participants in a placing with the institutions, is unclear at this stage.
While the Hambros move las brought pressure for an early answer since a 28-day completion deadline has been set with the stipulation that during that time an exercisions chemical time no negotiations should take place with any other party, the outcome for Fairey may not

be known until April.
Fairey profits in 1978 were
5.5.2m on sales of £43.5m. Last
year's accounts are still in the hands of the auditors. Apart from Hambros, no one has come up with a firm offer for the whole of the group, but great interest has been shown in buy-ing parts of it: Trafalgar House would like to buy the bridgebuilding business, Dowerty has apparently expressed an interest in its aerospace interest in its aerospace hydraulic interests and NEI (formerly Northern Engineering Industries) could be interested



Arthur Knight: reaction to Hambros offer.

Equity Capital was launched: in 1976 under the sponsorship of the Bank of England to meet, in part, criticism that the finan-cial community neglected com-panies with technical difficulties is raising equity funds.

But its initial attempts to fill, that need were marred by the investment, in December 19787 ECI was given a further two years to prove its usefulness. Its big change of direction was, to go out and look for business, rather than wait for it to arrive.

Bank union to negotiate 25 pc claim nationally

By David Felton Labour Reporter

Pay negotiations for staff in the main high street banks, which are due to start within the next two weeks, will be con-siderably simplified by the em-ployers' decision to conduct negotiations at a national level. Last year's negotiations which were generally described as "chaotic", were conducted with each bank individually and led to enormous problems for the banks, ending with the Banking Insurance and Finance Union (BIFU) taking selective industrial action.

This year's negotiations on pay claims of more than 25 per cent from BIFU and staff associations at three of the main clearing banks will be held nationally, which BIFU yester day claimed as a victory.

The banks will be coming under increasing pressure to meet the pay claims in full in view of their much higher profits last year. Lloyds Bank was the first to announce its 1979 results at the end of last week, and they showed a 49 per cent increase — to a pre-tax profit of £276.6m.

Mr Leif Mills, general sec-retary of BIFU which has submitted a claim for a 25 per cent increase across the board and increases of up to 31 per cent for lower-paid members, said last night: "The Lloyds results, and others which we expect to be announced shortly, show that the banks can quite easily meet our claim, which we consider is

completely justified." Staff associations at the National Westminster, Lloyds and Barclays banks have submitted a claim which ranges from 20 per cent for lower-paid staff to 28 per cent for the higher clerical grades.

BIFU was concerned that if orgonizations were held at a

national level, the employers would appear to be recognizing staff associations' negotiating rights at the Midland and Williams and Glyn's banks where BIFU has separate agree-

ments.
The Federation of London Clearing Bank Employers has now made clear, as have managements at the two banks, any kind of recognition.

Negotiations with the staff associations and BIFU will be held separately after the break-down of talks to bring them

Expect frequent TV blackouts, advertising agencies warned tually strike-free until last industrial action in televicion.", year, was that it paid up, and Mr Ivtor Samuels, manaing

Advertising agencies were told yesterday to expect "more frequent and more prolonged" blackouts on commercial television as managements and unions battled over pay in the

The warning follows a report from the D'Arcy-MacManus agency that during last year's 11-week television strike, sales of 96 advertised brands fell by 45 per cert, with the highest spending advertisers being hit the hardest. Some £45m worth of television advertising was

The forecast of industrial action came from Mr Michael Townsin, media director of the Young and Rubican agency. Practitioners in Advertising So like the rest of British conference at Stratford on industry, I fear that we, too, Avon, he said: "The reason must learn to live with much commercial television was vir- more frequent and prolonged no profit during 1979.

its substantial profits allowed it to do so.
"But I think it unlikely that the 1980s will see such pro-longed periods of industrial peace."

"The reason is that both the

contractors' reptal payments to the IBA and the new subscription payments to meet the which budget for the fourth channel durin will place ITV under tremen-said. dous financial strain in the Acc will have to get tougher with

the unions.

"And the unions, of ocurse, with the greater expansion of television broadcasting in the 1980s, will be getting stronger.

director of the Samuels, Jones, Isaacson, Page agency, agreed that more television strikes with likely. They would have to be met by very fast staff layoffs" within the agencies, and a rapid switch of advertising to newspapers. Also agencies needed to. negotiate more comprehensives arrangements with their clients. which would guarantee regenue during industrial disputes, re

According to the D'Arcy, report some advertising agencies billing £10m to £20m a year lost, permanently 47 per cent of their 3. gross because of last year's dispute. Larger agencies, in the £20ml 50 E40m range, fared better

recovering 76 per cent of can-celled advertising. But two of the big agencies expect to make

The Fokker F29: Japanese may become development and financial partners

Dutch 'lukewarm' on airbus deal

Ey Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

Fokker, the Dutch aerospace company, has received a new approach from the European Airbus Industrie consortium for a joint project to develop a 150-seat twinjet airliner.

Officially, Fokker says it is "considering" the proposal; but aviation circles expect the reaction to be lukewarn at best. The Dutch company is well ad-vanced with plans for its own rancer win plans for its own 130-150-seater, the F29, and has high hopes of signing the Japanese as development and financial partners. Mr Frans Swarttouw, chairman of Fokker, has already had

wo series of talks with the for about 30 per cent of the Japanese during recent visits project which is expected to to Tokyo. He hopes to bring a cost some £350m to develop. deal closer when a Japanese During their April visit to delegation comes to Holland Europe, the Japanese will go to in April Toulouse where, Airbus Indus-Airbus Industrie-in which France. West Germany and

Britain are the major partners, with Holland, Spain and Belgium in minor roles has also been looking to Japan as a potential partner for a 150-seat aircraft. It has offered the Japanese a 25 per cent share as well as full partnership in the airbus consortium.
Fokker's proposal Tananese manufactures to des-

trie hopes, they cannot fail to be impressed with the produ-tion line of the 300-seat A300 airbus and the smaller A310, over 400 of which have been Al's new approach to Fokker for the two projects to be merged into one is being seen

in Europe as an indication the consortium is worried that. the Dutch company is about to ign and produce the wings for gaps in the world marker with the F29. This would account its F29.

Presidential candidates reveal fiscal plans at opening of primaries

Republicans weigh in for the economic debate

change in the constitution to force a balanced budget; Mr Dole urges tax cuts to spur capital investment; Mr Anderson calls for new petrol taxes, and Mr Bush supports indexing tax rates to inflation rates.

The election primary season starts tomorrow in New Hampshire and in the Republican camp the voters confront can-didates, who, at least in the domain of economic affairs,

are thoroughly uninspiring. Each of the Republican contenders has devoted considerable time to economic affairs, and Mr John Connally, the burly, tough-talking Texan, was Secretary of the Treasury a

Mr Crane wants a return to the most conservative investors the unemployment rate this to boost investment.

he gold standard; Mr Conon wall Street. It was hardly a year and so add \$40,000m to Far less specific, but essentially demands big cuts in tax surprise, for example, that he no savings; Mr Reagan promoves the guest of honour at a big conference in New York a congressman and holder of Opinion poils, however, indicate that both Mr Connally seconds of the property of the unemployment rate this to boost investment.

Far less specific, but essentially in the same camp, is Senator Robert Dole of Kansas. Congressman and holder of Opinion poils, however, indicate that both Mr Connally seconds of the property of the gold standard; Mr Connally demands big cuts in tax
on savings; Mr Reagan promises sharp income tax roductions. Mr Baker desires a few months ago attended by few months ago attended by many of America's firmest believers in the virtues of gold. Hence it is hardly a sur-prise that Mr Crane should assert with such vigour that a new gold standard is what America needs. Mr Crane has scant hope of

winning his party's nomination, but Mr Ronald Reagan, the former governor of California, is indeed a contender.

In a television debate the other night each of the Republicans had his chance to outline briefly an economic policy. Mr Reagan, striving to be as bold as he used to be back in his Hollywood cowboy film days, declared that he few years ago. would stimulate the economy In just one minute he Congressman Philip Crane and avoid unemployment in announced tax incentives to from Illinois has enjoyed con-siderable support from some of cies would add 2 per cent to specific depreciation schedules

anyone, he sits upon the econoanyone, he sits upon the econo-mic fence. He supports balanc-ing the budget, fighting infla-tion and increasing employ-ment, and favours tax indexa-Meanwhile.

John Anderson of Illinois is good fun, even though his elecdaal with energy by imposing ting as ever and very specific.

spaken, pleasant, Senator Howard Baker, the leading Republican in the Senate and perhaps the only man likely to overtake Mr Bush. The senator from Tennessee articulates much solid common sense, noting, for example, the inflation-ary dangers of indexation and the need for fiscal restraint.

Meanwhile, President Carter sits in his White House for tress, not venturing into the hills of New Hampshire and seemingly pursuing policies even vaguer than those advocated by the Republicans. No wonder Wall Street is so con-

Frank Vogl

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Copies of the report may be obtained from the Secretary. 25 MILK STREET, LONDON, EC2V 8JE

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Homes cutback alarms construction industry

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the framework of a national The most common reply to what plan (of which there is no sign was their main desire at work

were present at the meeting search it has conducted into the

By John Huxley ment's hopes of providing an adequate supply of housing.
The National Council of Building Material Producers
Building programme. They

(BMP) believes that Mr Heselbuilding programme. They believe the cuts announced by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, could take between the Environment of the Envi spending from the building pro-

gramme. The number of new homes started in the public sector in the coming year is expected to be no more than 60,000. This is 25 per cent down on last year's figure and the worst level since the Second World War.

House-builders already are bracing themselves for another bad year because there is no evidence that a growth in the private sector—where 139,000 homes were started in 1979—will compensate for the sharp decline in the public sector. the Second World War.

decline in the public sector. Industry leaders find the cuts especially disturbing as they come only two months after the Government committed itself in its public expenditure

White Paper to ensure a measure of stability of work-The National Federation of Building Trades Employers said last night it was "deeply con-cerned". The cuts would have tine has removed £700m at today's prices from the housing Mr Richard Hermon, director

general of BMP, said that coun-cils were also likely to have to cut back heavily on rehabilitation work Building workers' status: A disturb ng picture of a building

industry workforce which con-tains a "worryingly high pro-portion of walking wounded and sick" is painted in a report pre-pared by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys. The report also suggests that

the average building worker is poorly paid, lacks training and status, has poor career pros-pects and is interested in moving into other industries.

Extracts of the report prepared by the census office for

the Construction Industry Man-power Board appear to have been leaked by the trade unions, whe begin talks this week on a claim for a wage rise of at least 25 per cent.
The findings of the report—
at least in its interim form—

will be taken by the unions to add weight to their claim for severe implications both for the a substantial improvement in

toral hopes are negligible. He wants to cut waste in government, balance the budget and a stiff petrol tax

Mr Connally is as hard-hit-

foreign affairs posts, is viewed and Mr Dole will drop out of by some as the Republican the presidential race soon—most likely to succeed.

Then there is the soft-Clearly fearful of upsetting spoken, pleasant, Senator

Retail muscle in the US money markets

Sears, Roebuck is the world's largest retailing company, selling billions of pounds worth of general merchadise to tens of militors of people each year. But Sears does not just sell shirts, shovels and shoes, it also sails life, car and property insurance or will give you a shortor meadum-term loan, or a full mortgage.

Richard W. Sears may have started business back in 1886 selling writches, but today the corporation that carries his name undertakes virtually every true of financial business. In name undertakes virtually every type of finencial business. In fact, Sears's financial business is more profitable than its retail trade in pots, plates and pianos. Sears's net income for the Sears's net income for the fiscel year to the end of January, 1979 was 59215m and of this figure insurance, property and other financial ventures accounted for more than \$500m.

This is by no means an accident. Sears has a clear management objective to diver-sify into financial fields, take better odvantage of the financial environment in which it operates and maximize its financial clout. In fact Sears has so many assorted financial balls up in the air that it is facing new management challenges in coordinating them

ment the company has been increasingly bypassing the



Mr Edward Telling, chairman of Sears, Roebuck : strength of name creates opportunities.

sidiary for issuing bonds. Run by 38 people the subsidiary raises cash directly from banks

By undertaking its own market operations Sears saves about one-eighth of 1 per cent in borrowing costs, which might not seem much at first; but In terms of taking better ad-ventage of its financial environ-ing indebtedness of some

another \$96m in Japan. It has insurance companies in Ger-many and Switzerland and has share listings on Swiss bourses and the London Stock

Mr Jack Kincannon, vice-chairman of Sears, sees the overseas financing ventures as merely a testing of the waters. More may come, perhaps to sup-port new expansion projects in the financial services area Sears tried to arrange with Great Universal Stores to sell insurance in Britain, but this arrangement fell through. In Japan, Sears is selling its in-surance policies through a venwith the Seibu-Seiyu

Typical of its plans to take Scars plans to raise mediumterm cash directly from its customers. The company has 26 million credit card customers, and these serve as a base for it to do some experimenting. Mr Kincannon says a survey of 5,000 customers suggests that a direct offer of Sears stock would

In the next few months Sears then Sears has daily outstand will probably move into the ing indebtedness of some securities brokerage business. It will try to sell directly to customers some \$250m of notes, On the long-term front, Sears with maturities ranging from

ing proves a success, then further such offerings might be made. "I do not see us faising more than say \$500m by this means in the next few years", says Mr Kincannon, He adds

says Mr Kincamon. He adds that Sears credit cards camot be used in the stock purchases. In the insurance field Sears owns Allstate Insurance, which has sales desks in Sears stores. Allstate had total investments of \$5,800m at the end of the or \$5,500m at the end of the 1978 fiscal year, but because of insurance rules the company cannot directly invest in Sears and help its parent reduce its financing costs. All the same, Allstate does add to Sears's financial process. ancial muscle. Sears also owns a group of building societies in California.

with assets of roughly \$3,000m. These societies are being reorganized into a group of wholly owned mortgage com-panies, known as PMI Mortgage, PMI Mostgage Insurance, and Allstate Enterprises Mort-gage. Joining this group as well is another Sears subsidiary, Homart Development, which owns and operates 17 shopping centres and is a partner in

eight others. The new group, to be called Seraco Enterprises, had a cambined net income in the 1978 financial year of \$67.1m. It is indicative of just how fast this group of financial ventures has grown that the operating income and net income are both six times as great now as they

retail money markets, in insurance and the real estate business. Mr Edward Telling, chairman of Sears, recently noted that expansion in properry directly results from the fact that "the strength of the Sears name at retail frequently creats development opportuni-

There are still some areas to be covered. Sears once moved into the mutual fund business. but was relieved to get out again. It would not be surprising if before long Sears moves into the capital equipment leasing business, with its marketing power, reputation and financial strength, this seems financial strength, this seems a most logical development.

However, there is a danger in running too fast in too many financial directions. The consolidating of all the property businesses is perhaps a portent of future management actions. Spar's seems to be an highly centralized company in its traditional areas of general merchandise retailing, although the financial ventures seem less strictly integrated and controlled from the world's tallest building, the Sears Tower in Chicago. But there are already some American bankers clain ing that Sears is the largest banking organization in country.

Frank Vogl

A recipe for the survival of BL

(Lab)
Sir, Your leading article on British Leyland "A new level of crisis" (February 14) poses the question whether "BL as the group we know today has any future at all " and concludes correctly that it does not. However, there are certain dangerous fallacies and suggestions in your consequential tions in your consequential arguments that might be

exposed.

First, you argue that since the volume car business does not make "a proper contribution to profit" (whatever that may be), it should be run down rapidly. Secondly, it is not just Austin Morris but Rover Triumph, too, that is in this predicament thanks to a whole series of post-Ryder policy errors. policy errors.

The rapid run-down recommend, of what would in effect therefore be virtually the entire United Kingdom owned motor-car industry, would be precisely to achieve what you say is unacceptable: the turning of the Midlands into "an industrial disaster

The second fallacy lies in the company and its eventual your statement: "Many of the demise. Such a proposal

parts of BL that might conceivably be floated off at attractive prices: Land-Rover, Jaguar and Alvis, But even in these cases the United Kingdom pri-vate sector would probably blanch at the level of capital

the growing intensity of inter-national competition. Furthermore, the case for selling off Alvis and Land-Rover, com-panies heavily dependent on government contracts and key suppliers to our own armed forces, would be difficult to make. The harsh reality is that

whatever happened to these companies we would be left with nearly 90 per cent of the group, including its truck and bus operations, whose future can only be secured by financial backing on a scale and cial backing on a scale and over a period that the private sector, on past performance, is hardly likely to provide.

Because you underestimate this awesomely difficult industrial situation, you blithely suggest that BL's board should act as a receiver and preside over the dismemberment of

betrays a frightening ignorance of the problems of in-dustrial management and of the debilitating effects caused by the inevitable period of pro-longed uncertainty. If the reality of the situation

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is that a restructuring of BL into more manageable groups with a distinct product coherence is an essential precondition for the improvement of management performance and of industrial relations—a ment, as owner of 95 per cent of BL, must accept its responsibilities and give effect to it. In doing so, it should avoid politically motivated and financially unsound attempts to hive bits off and realize sum of BL's parts will only be greater than the present whole if it is given sufficient and sustained financial backing. And it is still possible that, once BL ceased to exist as the hit-target, the Government would be able to stick to such a course.

Yours, etc. GEOFFREY ROBINSON,

Inflation accounting by way of CCA

From Mr A. J. Merrett and Mr Rises in their asset values are rise in oil values to their pro-

really inflation accounting methods at all. This view is based on a widespread misun-All CCA methods set the previous position. If replace-

relevant current costs of earning a given year's income against that year's earnings to calculate annual profit. When comparing such a profit figure with those of earlier years, then to be fully meaningful they all need correction to a common purchasing power basis. There is nothing in CC methods that either prevents this further correction or argues against it; indeed, we have long urged it.

M. FG. Scott raises many

points in his letter and we shall write to him direct at greater length than is suitable for your columns. We refer him and others interested in our more fully stated views to our December Accountancy article and our ED 24 submission now published with all the other submissions.

Our brief comments on his main points are these. In The Times article we were primarily concerned with industrial companies (the main category covered by ED 24). These are essentially product based companies who do not sell their assets as such, but use them to produce the goods and services they sell.

Asset-based companies (property and investment companies, and the like) by contrast do deal in their own assets, so Sydney Paulden measuring their income is comparatively straightforward.

February 18) repeats the often made criticism of CCA quite different. In all circummethods that they are not really inflation accounts

stances where a consumed asset will be replaced it is right to charge its current cost against income since that alone will restore its owner to his ment costs fall this will give rise to higher future profits unless all of it has to be conceded in price cuts.

Conversely where replacement costs rise, particularly when they rise in real terms—the source of so called "holding gains" and hence the ED24 gearing adjustment—then unless such rises can be passed on in full plus an acceptable profit on the extra acceptable profit on the extra funds tied up, future profits

Replacement will usually still be justified until of course replacement costs rise to the point where it pays to go out of business rather than replace. In other words, a large enough rise in holding gains can be fatal. In sum, holding gains on productive assets can almost never provide the extra profits assumed in ED24.

The whole rise in oil company shares is not due to their obvious stock appreciation, but is in major part due to the expected continued rise in oil prices giving rise to higher real margins, and to the con-stant revaluation of their un-tapped reserves. All this may good news for oil commedium term. It remains bad news for oil consumers which is why it is right for say manu-facturing firms holding normal oil fuel stocks not to add the A. J. MERRETT ALLEN SYKES Mallington Leatherhead, Surrey.

From Mr A. H. Clifton It was refreshing to read the injection of good sense into the

injection of good sense into the inflation accounting debate provided by Messrs Merrett and Sykes (February 11).

Their article exposing the moddled thinking inherent in ED24 was as timely as it was welcome, and it is to be hoped now that the Accounting Standard Committee well address. dards Committee will address itself to correcting the funda-mental weaknesses of its exposure draft, before any attempt is made to embody some of its more dubious principles in a mandatory accounting standard. If one might be excused for saying so, the inflation account-ing debate post-Sandriands has appeared to move further and further away from the underthat document towards creation of a complicated rule book for converting historic cost accounts piecemeal into a form corrected for certain of the effects of inflation. In this process the accounting profession seems to have lost sight of some of the basic principles of the theory of the firm, abandoning economic concepts for the

February 12.

Taking the trouble to train top secretaries

The effectiveness of a senior company executive depends to a great extent on the quality of the service he receives from his personal secretary.

It is she who provides him with much of the data on which he bases decisions. She is the link between him and his col-leagues within the company and with important contacts outside. He relies on her for his itiuerary on business trips and often for the planning of his working day, as she courtols hir

appointments diary and sorts through those people who wish to meet her boss. He is often heavily dependent upon her for Yet many companies promote shorthand typists to the job of secretary.

Often, without formal induc- archives.

Mr John Wilcox-Baker is existed. They learn short-cuts to headouarters of the United kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's northern division at the division's group training ment and the Civil Service. They learn short-cuts to hide a boss's failings or b sliding. The Risley course to hide a boss's failings or b sliding. The Risley course the division's group training ment and the Civil Service. effective assistants to senior

"If it were possible", in Mr Wilcox-Baker's controversial view, "the best way round view, "the best way round would be to train someone first as a secretary and only later as

a shorthand typist."
Courses are still held twice a year by the UKAEA northern division, and they are attended by girls who have made the jump from the typing nool and who are the most likely cardidates for mp secretarial jobs in the near future. The courses cover three main

themes—the work of the UKAEA as a whole: how the personal secretary can use available facilities within and outside the organization; and the personal role of the top Girls who have attended the

special training. The result is courses report that the intro-that the girl flounders in her duction to available services is new job during the critical the espect of most practical carly few weeks that can often help. This includes visits to the destroy her own confidence or telephone switchboards, to the the confidence of her boss in printing and duplicating departments, the library and the

tion training, the personal secre-tary is thrown in at the deep in which the girls are asked to There are practical exercises and and kept so busy that she use the reference library to never has the opportunity to locate information that is discover what services and fact urgently required, and they all lities exist within the company express surprise at the wealth secretary has to be loyal to the that could help her to do her of reference material that they iob more efficiently.

officer he set up a scheme for They also meet the personnel training personal secretaries in in the travel department and order to groom them to be are shown what forms and what facts and figures can serve to expedite an kinerary.

account documentation are ex-plained—all bosses are grati-fied to get their expenses re-imbursed without delay, and companies are happy to get advances accounted for accu-rately and speedily.

Training in the role of the

secretary does not ignore the girl's own personality. During the four-day courses, which are attended by up to twelve girls at a time, there are visiting speakers from a school that trains fashion models and from a consultancy specializing in personality development.

Presentations are given not only on dress and make up, but on such things as the way a secretary's tone of voice influences the person at the other end of the telephone line. There are role-play sessions, in which each girl has to act as host to one of the course organizers and take him or her to lunch. Perhaps the most sensitive part of the course is the debate

on the loyalties of the personal secretary. "Ossie" Osborne, head of training at Risley, says that many girls object to the idea, prevalent in many bosssecretary relationships, that the boss to the extent even of being dishonest on his behalf. They do not accept that their job should include elaborate covers to hide a boss's failings or backsliding. The Risley course sup-

It is made clear that the secretary's first loyalty is to the UKAEA, which is the direct employer, and no secretary is to be regarded as an appendage executive's private



organization's library.

many girls feel confident in tackling a new top secretarial job. They also point out that there are valuable spin-offs. The information on the work of the UKAEA as a whole, and the role of nuclear energy within the nation's economy, gives them a much better understand-ing of the contribution made by

The courses are usually the only occasion when secretaries can meer it in counterparts from other, distant, sires within the northern division, such as Springfields laboratories at Preston and the laboratories and reactor research station at Dounteay in Scotland. "From then on", says one girl, "com-municating with them on the telephone becomes that much more interesting."

A similar course has been run

by the northern division for secretaries who have been in top jobs for some time. It was meeting the other girls in person that was voted the most valuable benefit, for it greatly assisted cooperation between departments once the secretaries of various departmental chiefs had got to know each commented one of the girls in a written summary afterwards, "and it belped us in our work."

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Results1979

Under historical cost accounting:

Pre-tax profit: £277m-up 49% Retained profit: £162m-up 49%

<u>Under current cost accounting:</u>

Pre-tax profit:£170m-up 28% Retained profit: £52m - down 8%

Balance sheet total: £17,459m-up 18% Share capital & reserves: £1,216m - up 16%



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Insider dealers come face to face with the law

The regulation of insider panies Bill contains provisions. As in the case of price sentrading is one of the most designed to deal with the sitive information, knowledge emptive areas of company law, basic provision of the Bill is of one area of the company's emotive areas of company law. Mere is a school of thought company law.

There is a school of thought which sees insider trading as a beneficial affect of the capital merket in that exploitation of such information is a valuable retained of compensating entreplated of compensating entreplated of the risks involved. Also, unlike other market manipulation, it can be said to push the market at least some way in such information is a valuable pulation, it can be said to push the market at least some way in the right direction.
Whatever the economic merits

of this argument it is generally felt that for insiders to profit et the expense of others by the is morally wrong. It is also necessary for investors to have confidence that the price of their securities reflects their underlying values in order for effectively. It has been felt for some time

that legislation is needed in order to produce a state of runtice egalitationism, a situ-ztion in which owners of scoutities will be placed in an equal position with the manage-rent of corporations in which they invest. In fact, it is one of the objectives of the European Economic Community, stated in the Segre report, that all exchange operations should do persons in response on an equal facting.

Part five of the new Com-

securities.

tive information is defined as information on specific matters not generally known to those persons likely to deal in securities of the company and which would materially affect the price of such securities. This definition of such securities. This defini-tion is likely to prove extremely narrow in that the Bill stresses that matters of a general nature the certical market to operate are not included. Such matters effectively.

can be useful in predicting future developments to people with sufficient knowledge of a commany's activities.

The definition of a "connected person" is also liable to cause difficulties in that atthough it includes directors, officers of the company, or others in a business or professional relationship which might sional relationship which might give them access to price sen-sitive information, professional advisers could be connected persons in relation to one traus-

business can frequently lead to educated guesses relating to

future activities.

Some people are given exemptions from the provisions of the Bill, particularly those who are acting in the ordinary course of business, such as jobbers, or others acting in good faith such as receivers or trus-tees in bankruptcy. Furthermore, if a person enters into a transaction with a motive other than to make a profit or avoid a loss through the use of inside information, he will be ex-

onerated.

Where, however, a person is caught by the terms of the Bill, provisions have been made to prevent him from acting through another person to deal in such securities or from communicating information to another person whom he has reason to believe would make use of it. Penalties for breach

include a fine and up to two years imprisonment.

These provisions fall far short of equivalent legislation in the United States where the draconian measures adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission have done a great deal to prevent the abuse of insider information.

In the United Kingdom Bill there is no specific redress for

sider who suffers loss as a result of such transactions. In the United States any profit made by a director on a sale and purchase transaction taking place within six months, can be recovered automatically by the company and it is unnecessary been suffered.

been suffered.

Further, the notorious rules of the Sec provide that insiders, and even their tipsters, shall be liable to outsiders for any loss suffered as a result of dealings in a company's securities. One of the main reasons for the lack of legislation in this area is the difficulty of matching buyer difficulty of matching buyer and seller under the Talisman system operated by the London Stock Exchange.

Also the contingency fee system which operates in the United States has been a great sour to the development of law. Under this system, a lawyer will take as his fee a proportion of the damage if the case is successful. Although this can lead to the notorious over liti-gation for which the United States courts are famous, it has been shown to be of great value in obtaining satisfaction both for shareholders and com-panies damaged by the abuse

Clare Watson

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Lessons from the liquidity squeeze ahead of Budget

The Bank of England has as everyone must be aware by now, been playing an extremely delicate game in financial markets over recent weeks. It has had to ensure that the monetary system did not grind to a halt for lack of liquidity; and it has been trying to prevent any further rise in bank

At this point the Bank must be just about halfway round the board and, though it is probably reasonably optimistic about completing the second half of the course without serious damage, it would certainly not dispute that each successive move must now depend on the circumstances ruling at the

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However the general situation developes, there are a number of points worth making ahead of the consultative document on monetary reform and the Budget. Over and above the old chestnut of the obvious lessons to be learnt on the need for physical and monetary consistency, and the need to allow adequate real interest rates in good time, it is quite clear that the general financial planning of the present monetary year has not made life particularly easy for

To arrive in the final quarter with the Government projecting an (unadjusted) public sector surplus for the three months of more than £2,000m and yet still needing to sell debt relatively heavily is obviously something of a nonsense. There are of course excuses this year.

The Government came in to office only in May, yet still jumped straight into a radical fiscal strategy; it needed time to plan the sale of assets; the Post Office dispute severely distorted the flow of funds; and the Government had to jam substantial corrective action against a full year PSBR overshoot into the last few weeks of

the year.

All that is as may be. What I am saying is that it should be possible to plan things rather better for next time round. That said, the Government is never likely to be able to plan the perfect financial year.

Short-term forecasting is a hazardous business at the best of times, and it may be that public sector asset (as opposed to debt) falls may sometimes have to be timed to fit in with considerations other than flow of funds management.

The Government has, however consistently been pressed to do something about a debt marketing system under which it relies heavily on the gilt-edged market and suffers (under the tap system) considerable uncertainty as to the timing of receipts. If a tender system is unacceptable there must at least be a strong case for seeing that the tan system is made to work with more flexi-

bility and greater efficiency. The second point concerns the apparent fashion for using the present situation to argue that a monetary base system would only have made the present problem far worse. There may well be problems attaching to a monetary base system, but it does seem wrong to be so instantly dismissive

First it is ridiculous to argue that a monetary base system has to be so rigid that it could not have coped with recent events without dire consequences. The other side of this particular coin is that if the Bank of England had chosen to be totally inflexible under the present rules—and it could theoretically have chosen to be—the results would have been horrific.

The more important point however is that a monetary base system could have allowed for the provision of adequate banking reserves in a far more natural way than under the present system. It could have avoided the distortions in relative interest rates that have now finished up putting upward pressure of the level of interest rates in general.

Composite insurers

Braced for lower profits

Results season for the composite insurers which kicks off this week with results from Commercial Union on Tuesday, promises to

be a wooful affair. But as might be expected in one of the most heavily researched market sectors, share ratings are well-braced for significantly lower profits from the major groups with the exception of Eagle Star and possibly Guardian Royal Exchange.

Among the three big United Statesoriented composites only General Accident is expected to turn in anything approaching last year's £90.1m pre-tax while falls of 17 per cent to £127m and 7 per cent to £134m seem on the cards for Royal Insurance and Commercial Union respectively.

The market's interest, however, will centre on prospects for profit recovery based on individual company's ability to beat the general downtrend in United States returns. Given the worsening conditions in American business this could be like looking for puddles in a drought, but at least the consensus view is that the current downswing in the United States insurance cycle is likely to be nothing like so severe as in 1974-75.

There are sound reasons why the nadir this downturn is likely to be less deep possibly reaching a worst operating ratioclaims and expenses compared against premiums-of 106 per cent in early 1981 against the near-devastating 126 per cent level of 1974.

The economic background is brighter, for one thing, while the industry's solvency ratios, averaging perhaps 45 per cent, are generally a good deal lower than the industry figure of over 60 per cent in 1973 and should therefore restrain competition from going too far.

But like it or not, the British companies have already moved well into the dangerous game of "writing for income"—taking underwriting losses and relying on investment to provide earnings growth. With interest rates at current levels and American memory of the last great shake out still fading there is just the slight danger that competitive influences could once again see underwriting losses spiralling out of control.



Mr Daniel Meinertzhagen and Sir Francis Sandilands, chairmen respectively of Royal Insurance and Commercial Union.

In this respect recent moves by Eritish groups do not inspire complete confidence. Royal shipped out \$60m to the United States in 1978 to support business and CU transferred a similar sum last year to back expansion of the kind which might cause shudders to those who recall the drastic plunge into loss in 1975. To be fair to CU current expansion in auto business is based on much sounder principles than the last crippling charge forward, but the market will want to see concrete evidence before it gives CU full benefit of the doubt.

Assuming that things do not go badly awry current investment returns should ensure earnings growth of between 10 and 15 per cept in the current year, while prospects for dividend increases of over 10 per cent over the next two years could lead to buying in anticipation of a recovery in underwriting in late 1981.

Despite the income attractions of yields of between 8 and 10 per cent there are, however, just sufficient nagging doubts, even discounting the possibility of climatic catastrophes—of which the California floods are not significant—to encourage caution in

Two leading economists question the theory underlying the Government's policies Monetarism: why Mrs Thatcher should beware

economists (for example Pro-fessor Minford in The Times, Feburary 4) are claiming to have achieved an economic have achieved an economic counter-revolution, meaning a revolution in our understanding of how the economy works. Yet few people seem to know what is the precise nature of that claim or what are the objections to it.

This is not satisfactory If

This is not satisfactory. If This is not satisfactory. It there is the possibility of a flaw in the theory on which the Government's policies are based, it is better that it should be aired and recognized early, than that the Government should ride blindly into a crisis and adopt an ill-prepared crisis and adopt an ill-prepared

alternative.
There are three points to consider. First, what precisely is the claim made by the mone-tarists? Secondly, what is its theoretical basis? Third, is that theory supported by evi-

dence?
The monetarists' position is commonly stated by reference to demand and supply in the market for labour: firms will employ more labour the lower the wage relative to prices (that is, the lower the "real wage"); on the other hand, workers will offer more labour the higher the real wage. Hence there is a value for

Hence there is a value for the real wage at which demand and supply are matched: everyone who wants a job at the going real wage will then be able to find one, apart from those who are searching for jobs and moving between them. Output will be limited by the full use of the labour force and the level of productiorce and the level of productivity in the economy; and un-employment will be at its "natural rate".

In a period of inflation, monetary restriction, it is asserted, will retard the gen-eral price level but will tem-porarily cause each employer to think (wrongly) that he faces a fall in the relative price of his product; and that will cause him to offer, in some combination, a smaller wage increase and less employ-ment than before.

Workers, for their part, believing that the smaller money wage increase repre-sents a lower real wage, will offer less labour. So voluntary mathematical economists, in unemployment may temporarily rise above the "natural" mathematical economists, in the light of their work, Professor Friedman's appeal to Wal-

rate. But soon employers and workers will discover that all prices have sluwed down; so employers will offer more employers will offer more covering that the real wage has not fallen, will offer more labour and will succeed in getting more work until voluntury unemployment falls again to the natural rate. Conversely, for monetary expansion. In this world, it is impossible for anyone to be involuntarily unemployed, meaning unable to find a job at the going wage ofter searching for one.

This claim, though focused on the Libour marker, implies that, regardless of any changes in demand relative to supply, prices and quantities exchanged in all the markets for different goods and ser-vices, as well as the markets for labour and finance, will change in such a way that total output in the economy as a whole will tend to the level which is the counterpart of the "natural" level of unemployment. Monetarists commonly take this for granted or assert it, without offering any theoretical justification.

Equilibrium

If one seeks a theoretical justification one is referred to the theoretical system of the nineteenth century mathematical economist Walras, who explored the conditions under which it is true to say that demand and supply in all the markets which comprise an economy will come into balance ("equilibrium") at a level and pattern of output that cannot be bestered, given the tastes and assets (including the innate skills) of all its

To quote Professor Milton Friedman, the natural rate of unemployment "is the level that would be ground out by the Walrasian system of gen-eral equilibrium equations. eral provided there is embedded in them the actual structural characteristics of the labour and commodity markets, including market imperfec-

In the past decade, Walrasion general equilibrium economics has been the subject of much study and refinement

his position does not stand up. To understand why, it is necessary to consider two dis-

necessary to consider two dis-tinct questions.

The first one is quite ab-stract and is of the following form. In a world in which every enterprise or other economic unit is so small that it takes as given the price at which it can buy or sell, can we find a particular set of prices (including wages) such that, if they ruled, the self-interested actions of everyone would be mutually compatible would be mutually compatible and produce equilibrium?

The answer to this question s "yes", but only provided very strong assumptions are made: for example the absence of significant econ-

absence of significant economies of scale and the supposition that no one can profitably
affect the price at which he
buys or selis.

Moreover, in order to accommodate the existence of time
and the uncertainty about the
future which goes with it, one
must either suppose that there
are many more futures manare many more futures mar-kets and insurance markets than is in fact the case, or sup-pose that people can foresee the future with such accuracy that nothing surprising can occur. Implicitly the monetarists always adopt these assumptions.

The second question is quite different. Given any initial set of prices, will market forces drive them towards values that ensure equilibrium? To this question, absolutely no satisfactheoretical answer is available; any trained economist can construct examples with a negative enswer. Moreover the theorist is in a

logical difficulty.

Having decided that economic units are so small that they cannot affect prices, he is hard put to it to find any means by which prices actually change. As a way out, a fictiintroduced into all markets; the whole economy, including the labour market, has to be assumed to resemble a traditional wheat market—or Sotheby's—and further assumptions of the second further assumption of the second further assumptions of the second further assumpti

tions have to be introduced. In the theory, the auctioneer always lowers prices in mar-kets where there is excess supply and raises them in markets where there is excess demand. But, in reality, there is no auc-

rioneer; and when actual firms and traders change prices, they may not behave like the theoretical auctioneer; for, if at the going price they cannot sell as much as they want, it is not always profitable to lower the price.

the price.

If the auctioneer is aban-If the auctioneer is abandoned and it is assumed that prices (and wages) are influenced by the actions of firms and trade unions, a new equilibrium concept emerges which is much closer to Keynes. It can be defined as follows: it is a set of prices, and a set of quantities which can actually be sold and bought at those prices, such that no one sees an advantage in price changes and everyone's plans are compat-ible. In this state there can be involuntary unemployment. The question whether an economy tends to such an equilibrium rather than displaying instability is unanswered.

Thus, even if the economy tends to an equilibrium, it need not be the Walrasian one where there is no involuntary

Imperfections

It should be noted that Pro-fessor Friedman's appeal to a Walrasian equilibrium, quoted above, is flawed. He implies that such an equilibrium will emerge from actual labour and commodity markets with all their "imperfections". Yet imperfections are, precisely, deviations from the conditions necessary for the attainment of thet equilibrium.

There is abundant evidence that firms fix prices by adding a mark-up to their normal costs; and that they respond to variations in the demand for their products mainly by changing their output and the number of workers they employ, not the prices they charge or the wages they pay.

The same is broadly true of distribution, banking, in-surance and many other ser-vices. The difference between thè conditions in the real world and those in the Walrasian model is sharply brought into focus by asking the fol-lowing question: would the typical British firm or shop be willing to sell more at the present price if the demand The authors are both pro-were there? Walrasian equili-brium, and hence the mone-university of Cambridge.

tarists' doctrine, require that the answer be no. Manifestly, the right answer is yes. Flexible prices, with or with

out auctions, are to be found in the market for financial assets (that is, the stock mar-ket) and the markets for raw materials, foodstuffs and fuels. But the instability of free mar-kets has proved to be so dis-ruptive that, increasingly, ruptive there is regulation by official intervention.

Even where there is an auction and there are many small producers. the conditions producers, the conditions required by Walrasian economics and the monetarists are not necessarily fulfilled. For if stocks are substantial relative to the flow through a market and it is dominated by speculative transactions, there is no guarantee that the price will move to a level which equates the flows of demand and sup-

As for the labour market, It is clear that wages are set by bargaining between trade unions and employees, not by anything resembling an auction; and that unemployment tion; and that unemployment can occur—and is occurring now—because workers, though willing, are unable to get a job at the going wage; it is not caused just by workers (other than those changing jobs) refusing to take jobs that are on offer because they believe that he well wage is to low that the real wage is too low.

There are neither theoretical foundations nor empirical support for the monetarists' pro-position that the real economy is self-regulating and that' activity and employment can be relied upon to recover auto-matically from the present fiscal and monetary squeeze.

It is not our purpose to propolicies here. Indeed we have held different opinions about policy in the past and might do so again were we to debate it now. Our common concern is that the Government's policy, as well as anal-ysis and debate of alternatives, should not be based on a misleading notion of how the

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Breathing new life into Quarry Bank

Few textile companies either saranic, in the secluded, side of the Pennines can match wooded valley of the River Bollin. The site was chosen begramme embarked upon recently by Quarry Rank Mill at water to power the mill labour Uuarry Styal, Cheshire. While the industry continues

to contract-400 cotton mills have closed over the past 10 years-Quarry Bank is being renovated. Water courses are being excavated, machinery is being installed and, later, a new team of spinners will fill the galleries.

Regrettably perhaps, the ef-forts of Mr David Sekers, who runs it, are directed not wards a restoration of King Cotton so much as a celebration of one of his most famous and successful courtiers, Samuel Greg. Quarry Bank is, in the words of a Chinese visitor, a "museum of capitalism". Eventually, it will tell an instalment in the story of the Industrial Revolution by recreating the mill as it was during its beyday and by chronicling the enterprise of the Greg dynasty, which operated the mill from 1784. Samuel Greg, "a perfect

Samuel Greg, "a perfect gentleman but rather cholerit", was one of a new breed of entrepreneurs. At Styal, he established one of the first rural factory colonies.

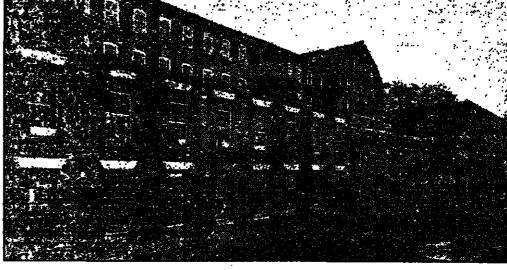
had to come from elsewhere. Many were apprentices, children recruited from poor houses in parishes as scattered as Liverpool, Newcastle-under-Lyme and Chelsea.

As much out of business sense as philanthropy, he provided an apprentices house and as labour force expanded he added cottages, a school, a shop and a church. By the time of his death in 1834, he had created a highly successful comneny combining spinning, weav-ing and marketing. Quarry Benk had by then

become a source of wonder-ment, with its 44-ton water the water race tunnel running three quarters of a mile underground. It could be hard work, for

apprentices and mill-owners alike. A later Greg complained that he was leading a dog's life. "I never open a book . . rise at 5.30 am, so to bed at 10 pm and toll like a galley slave all day." In subsequent years, the

four-storey mill was handi-capped by its cramped site. It Quarry Bank stands, impos-could not, however, be isolated ing, derk, though not at all from the vicissitudes of the



Samuel Greg's eighteenth century cotton mill at Quarry Bank, Styal, Cheshire.

1887 is was "on its last legs".
It hung on, literally clinging to the damp cliffs along the Bollin, until 1959. The last products were laundry bags. Fortunately for posterity, the mill, village and the estate on which it stood had 20 years earlier been given by Mr Alec Greg, great, great, grandson of the founder, to the National Trust. At first, the trust attempted to secure the building's future by letting sections

textile industry. As early as

to small businesses, bur by the end of the 1960s age finally caught up with the mill. It stood empty, little more than a shell needing urgent repair. Before then there would have been little hope for an "ugly", old building like Quarry Bank. At the start of the 1970s, though, industrial archaeology was flourishing archaeology

and the mill's worth was recog-

The National Trust undertook to restore the mill—a task pearing completion
A shopping list adding up to £750,000 has been drawn up. So far £150,000 has been spent. besides the £250,000 spent by the National Trust on renovation. The museum opened in June, 1978, and later that year Mr Sekers was appointed

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museum director.

He describes himself as a "textile industry drop-out", having worked for several years in the family company, Sekers International, before opting out, and into the Gladstone pottery

museum at Stoke.

Response to the project, enthusiastic team of assistant which will be self-financing, has hope that apart from providing study facilities and displays of start. museum at Stoke. started with a huce amount of material-correspondence of the Gregs, accounts, essays written by apprentices, and the rest. But the project's success will depend largely on indi-

Local textile companies have been able to offer Victorian machinery, much of which had been in use uppil recently and the engineering expertise to restore it to working order.
The people of Styal, whose

village itself is part of the living museum, have given Mr Sekers the benefit of their own memories of working at Quarry Bank. "Old women, for Bank. "Old women, for example, say that, so far, I've been unable to capture the sense of fun enjoyed by those who worked in the mill. They say they used to dance to work", he said.

enthusiastic team of assistants. exhibits Quarry Bank will start producing again. "I want to see spinners and weavers working in a hot, sticky atmosphere at Quarry Bank. I'd like visitors to be able to see the water frames, the looms, working again."

Business Diary profile: Richard Langdon's battleground

Richard Langdon did a large part of the training for his accountancy qualifications "sitting on a gunsite" during the war. It was an appropriate starting point for a who has fought some formidable battles since.
The most recent of these,

against fellow accountants Deloitte, Haskins & Sells, came to a curious end a couple of weeks ago. Both sides retired from the field, claiming that their honour was intact; but Langdon, in his capacity as liquidator to the fringe bank London & County, took £900,000 of Deloitte's indem-

nity insurance with him.

The case arose out of the collapse of London & County at the end of 1973, which preat the end of 1973, which pre-cipitated the secondary banking crisis. Harmood Ban-ner, auditors to the company, had given it a clean bill of financial health in their report on the accounts for the year to end March 1973—for which they were subsequently heavily criticized by the Department of Trade investigators into the

Trade investigators into the company's affairs.
As liquidator for London & County, Langdon decided that Harmond Banner, which had marged with Deloites in 1974 marged with Deloittes in 1974, could and should be sued for the losses—a dividend and taxes that would not have been paid had the true position been obvious that resulted from publication of the unqua-

lified report. More controversially he also sued for the losses made in three to six months trading that would not have been undertaken had the company died when it should have done, at

would actually get on the latter account, even if judgment
was given in his favour, that
disposed him to listen with interest when Deloittes, still
good deal about his affairs." vigorously protesting its inno-cence, proposed a settlement out of court.

As the reverberations of this particular fracas die away he is applying his mind, again on behalf of the creditors of L &

Langdon, now 60, is no stranger to the sound and furv of City scandal. As senior partner and menaging partner of Spicer & Pegler, a firm of accountants with a long, strong line in City connexions, he has been called in often enough by whether anything can be banking clients nervous about



the start of 1973.
It was, says Langdon, reser- Gunner Langdon and his part in London & County's downfall.

vations about the amount he extracted from the company's the security of their loans. He was one of two Department of Trade inspectors ment appointed to investigate the affairs of the National Group of Unit Trusts, headed by Sir

Denys Lowson, former Lord Mayor of London, during 1973. Langdon is, moreover, deputy chairman of FNFC, though he vigorously repudicates any sugestion of scandal attached to this, the longest occupant of the "lifeboat". He says he enjoys the special" work on which he spends half his time: that the

pressure is exciting, and the deadlines a challenge. The first few weeks, he says, are always the toughest, particularly in a potential disaster. "You have to trim the sails,

turn the thing around, maybe bail it out... to keep it afloat. After a while you get the thing organized—and then, if anyone clee can do it, they should be asked to

should be asked to.

"Anyway", he says, propounding with engaging frankness a view which would certainly be considered heretical in most of the big, ambitious auditing firms, "I don't think that anvone should work more than five or six hours a day on a continuous basis. You become pretty inefficient otherwise."

This evident enjoyment is in strong contrast to his start in accountancy, filling in a year (before going up to Oxford) at the behest of his father, a selfmade man in the best tradition of Spicer & Pegler clients, who did not believe that a graduate was of much use to anyone. He thought accountancy "rather dull", but was suffi-ciently booked on "dealing

with real things" when was broke out that autumn, to continue studying in the army, and qualify as soon as possible thereafter.

He joined Spicer & Peglerthen a six-partner firm with one of the original (1902) founding family still in charge—in 1949, and helped to develop the policies that took the firm out into association with their leading provincial counterparts in the 1950s.

"There was rather a feeling then, among the older members, that the grass grows green in the City...so why bother?" he says now. "But we couldn't have built up the United Kingdom connexion, or that overseas, unless everyone had agreed."

Spicer & Pegler still specia spacer of regier sin specia-lizes in City work, and in the smaller public company, which is entirely agreeable to Lang-don. "I think this is the way things will have to develop : smaller units.

"I believe that a lot of our problems today stem from the fact that people are working at jobs they do not enjoy: they machine...people should work for themselves. You work harder, but you enjoy it much

As for the future of accountancy, he is firmly of the opinion that we need good auditing; we need people of an inquisitive and inquiring nature. There is a danger in the proliferation of standards.

Adrienne Gleeson

Faith, hope and £356m

vidual contributions.

came charged with the task of reviv-ing the flagging fortunes of London's East End, he said that he regarded the docklands as one of the most neglected areas of the country".

Ar the moment, some £356.2m of public money — more than seven times the 1979 pre-tax profit of Mr Broackes' ships-to-newspapers Trafalgar House group — is committed to the task he will inherit.

By any criterion, that is a high level of neglect but it is easy to understand why Broackes said what he did. Docklands runs through five east London riverside boroughs

— Newham, Southwark, Green-wich, Lewisham, and Tower Hamlets — all of which have been hit badly by the area's economic decline, notably in the operations of the Port of London and its ancillary trades, The five councils, in partnership with the government and the Greater London Council, have been trying to attract in dustry back to the area since 1976, but with limited success.

While the programme to build new housing and roads in an area of extreme dentivation has proceeded with pace, private enterprise has treated the project with some caution.

The two largest achemes attracted to the area are the . The Billingsgate and News transfer of the Billingsgate fish International projects have market from its present site in been held up as examples of

publishers of the Sun and the News of the World, in Wapping. But there are reservations

about claiming either scheme as a great example of the docklands' success in industrial development. The Billingsgate move has a good deal to do with an understandable desire to free for development the valuable land which it now occupies in the City, and the motives of News

International stem to a large extent from the unique problems of newspaper distribution in Fleet Street.

Industry in the regions

Moreover, both schemes will tend to take their workers with them, giving little comfort to moving ahead, whether to sucthe docklands community, cmess or to ultimate failure. Its docklands community, whose chronic unemployment instigated the redevolpment scheme in the first place.

Between them, the developments will employ around 5,000 people, but few, if any, will be new jobs created in the dock-

lands for local unemployed.

When Mr Nigel Broackes bethe City to the Isle of Dogs and the success of the strategy of came chairman of the new the construction of a new head-the local councils, but the urban development corporation quarters for News International, hollowness of the argument has the local councils, but the hollowness of the argument has not been lost on the Govern-

> This was one reason why Mr Michael Heseltine, the Secretary of State for the Environ-ment, decided to replace the Docklands Joint Committee with an urban development corporation headed by Mr Broackes, with Mr Bob Mellish, the East End Labour MP as deputy chairman.

The new body will not start work until next year, but al-ready its existence has been criticized by the local authorities who regard it as an unjust encroachement upon their tra-

Their objections also stem from the knowledge that the organization will be given powers to anton with be given powers to introduce transport schemes, deal with intransigent statutory landowners, and generally bypass conventional local authority procedures in a way which councils would have loved to have presented themselves.

have possessed themselves. The docklands project is now new houses are replacing slums, and its new roads bringing in a transport system which will open it up to the rest of the country. The madizional indus-tries—the docks and ship repair services—are either dead or dy-ing. It remains to be seen what, if anything, will replace them.

David Hewson

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

The market will be looking with more than just passing interest at the batch of blue chips reporting this week to try to gain some boost to trading after one of the dullest accounts for a long time.

Full-year figures from ICI on Thursday head the list followed by three of the big financial institutions including Commercial Union, General Accident and National Westminster Bank

Another busy week is also in store among the economic indicators starting today with the retail sales index for January from the Department of Trade. On the Department of Irade.
On Tuesday the Department of Employment publishes the unemployment figures for February, followed on Thursday by the overtime and short-time working and the amount of time lost through stoppages and industrial uncertainty

Analysts are expecting National Westminster to put in the strongest performance of the strongest performance of unveiling its full year earnings.
The severe weather conditions experienced in Britain results from its major United during the first half of last

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Bank of North America, were disappointing while the Lombard North Central finance house side also turned in lower profits because of high interest

combination of high base rates and strong loan demand will produce handsome domestic banking profits which could also benefit from lower bad

debt provisions.

NatWest is also nearing the end of its big capital spending programme with the near completion of the tower and the new computer centre. Estimates of 1979 pre-tax profits range from a 50 per cent increase from £297.4m to £448.2m from W. Greenwell to a 58 per cent rise to £470m from Phillips & industrial unrest
Finally, on Friday, the
Department of Industry reports
on car and commercial vehicle
reportment for January.

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W. Greenwell to a 58 per cent rise to £470m from Phillips & Drew.
Also on Tuesday the first of the large insurance composites

expecting the large insurance composites to put in reports with Commercial Union

a severe dent in the company's performance. Estimates range performance. Estimates range from £133m to £143m compared

with £142.2m last year.
Mr Peter Martin of brokers
Capel Cure Myers also anticipates a profits setback from

This week

underwriting losses in North America As a result he expects the net dividend to rise by 1p to 9.5p compared with a sector average of around 18 per cent. Prospects for the current year do not look so bright either, with the situation in the United States market expected to deteriorate still further at a time when the group plans further expansion in that country. On Wednesday, full

On Wednesday, full year should reach £75m based on the profits from General Accident are announced. These, too, are likely to show the ravages of gauging its performance lies

vear in Canadian mining.

adverse weather conditions which will have had had an adverse affect on earnings. Analysts in this case are pitching for between £88m to £92m compared with £90.1m last time.

With GA having a much

But although the weather will prove a stumbling block the effect should be somewhat less severe than in the case of Com-mercial Union.

stronger dividend cover than CU, observers are going for a 3p rise in the total dividend The week is rounded off on Thursday with full year figures from ICI, which will include the first full-year inclusion of its

substantial North Sea oil

The range this time is between £565m and £580m compared with £421m last year. The contribution from its interest in the Ninian Field this year should reach £75m based on the

adjustments which with the cur-rent strength of sterling might well take some of the glitter from profits.

A dividend of 31.43p is hoped for by some observers which give an increase of 14 per cent over last year's pay-The outlook for the current

The outlook for the current year remains somewhat distorted. While profits from Ninian Field should exceed £140m on a basis of \$34 a barrel technical production difficulties currently being encountered may well see this figure fall short. On the industrial side the world recession is bound to have some efficit although to quite what extent is although to quite what extent is proving difficult to judge. TODAY Interiors: Electronic

Machine. Finals: Alexanders Hldgs, Charles Baynes, Ran-somes, Sims & Jefferies, Rhode-sian Corp, Ward Hldgs & Yule Cato. TOMOROW Interims: F Austin

Nolton, and Raine Engineering Inds. Finals: Akzo NV, TF & JH Braime (Hldgs), Commercial Union, English & Scottish invest, Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. IMI. Investing in Success? Equities, London & Lomond Invest, Metalrax (Hldgs), Mount Charlotte Invests, National Westminster Bank and Vantona. WEDNESDAY Interims: Australian & Intil Tst (amended), BOC Intil (1st qtr), BPM Hldgs, and Johnson Matthey (9 months). Finals: AC Cars, Allen Harvey & Ross, Fledgling Invests, General Accident Fire & Life Ass, Hoover and Moorside Tst.

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THURSDAY Interims: Campari Incl, Challenge Corp, Com-mercial Bank of Australia, Footwear Industry Inv, London Shop Property Tst, Scottish Inv Tst (1st quarter), Thomas Walker, and Wiran Invest (9 months). Finals: Cardinal Inrest Tst, and Imperial Chemical

FRIDAY Interims: Christy Bros. Finals: Habit Precision Engineering, Manchester Ship Canal, and Woodhouse & Rixson (Hldgs).

Michael Clark

Brokers approval for Marsh bid

Association has told the Office of Fair Traiding that the world's largest insurance brokers, Marsh McLennan of the United States Lloyd's brokers, C. T. Bowring.
The move comes as Bowring is doing everything it can to resist the bid.

A spokesman for the BIBA said: "We have sent this memorandum to the Office of Fair Tracking, but it was confidential and I cannot discuss its contents." It is understood that the general tone of the BIBA opinion is in favour of allowing the Americans into the London

Motives for the move are thought to be influenced by the

fact that several large British insurance brokers are looking at the possibility of takeovers in the United States and do not want natinalistic barriers to

arise among American brokers should their biggest group be shur out of the United Kingdom. shut out of the United Kingdom.
It is understood that Marsh's
£253m ofer for Bowring could
soon clear the US Securities
Exchange Commission hurdle
which has been holding up
progress of the bid.
Marsh Mac had hoped to
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Both insurance group's had spent some months discussing possible "pooling" arrange-ments but when it became clear that these could not work, the duo began talking seriously
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world say that when Bowring
realised that Marsh would be the dominating force of any merger, talks were called off. That spurred Marsh to launch its takeover bid fairly close to what some believe would be an acceptable price to many of Bowring's institutional share-

Smallshaw bill for loss of office

R. Smallshaw (Knitwear), the Leicester-based knitted gar-Leicester-based knitted gar-ments maker paid £22,500 in compensation for loss of office during the year to last Septem-ber, according to the annual

The report shows that Mr Noel West resigned as a director of the group last February.

In his statement to shareholders, chair an, Mr Robert Smallshaw says the group order book is shorter than at this time

last year.
"In view of this I feel it would be unwise to forecast emphasis on cases where profits for 1980", he says.

Smallshaw, whose profits last year were barely changed at only 93 cases. £340,000 after a strong recovery in the past three years, shows borrowings up from £309,000 to £521,000.

More being prosecuted over files Prosecutions for failure by

companies to file accounts quadrupled last year, according to figures disclosed in the House of Commons by the Department of Trade. Department of Trade.

A written answer to Plaid
Cymru MP for Caernarvon, Mr
Dyfdd Wigley, revealed the
number of prosecutions for
failing to file accounts rose
from \$18 in 1978 to 3,103 last

The Department of Trade said that the Companies Act 1976 allowed it to place more emphasis on cases where accounts were outstanding. Fire Fines last year showed a

sharp increase from £71,000 to £132,000 and the number of reminder letters doubled

Business appointments

Three new directors for Rediffusion board

Mr R. F. G. Dennis, Mr W. S. Robertson and Mr C. S. Wills have been appointed to the board Mr P. W. Gore will become company secretary for Courage when Mr G. P. Maddison retires on March 31. Mr Peter Till has been

appointed to the main board of Butterfield-Harvey. Mr Derek Hall has resigned to develop his own interests. The group executive committee has also been restructured: Mr Victor Wyatt becomes group composite and the comes group controller and the managing directors of two mem-ber companies, Mr Pat Frewer of South Western Marine Factors and Mr John Barnes of Beldray, ion the companies join the committee as well as being appointed chairmen of their respective companies. A number of changes in member companies has also taken place: Mr Stanley Quin, chairman of Shelvoke &

Caravans on a temporary basis. Sir Monty Finniston has been

Mr I. J. S. Henderson has been appointed by London and Manchester Assurance as general man-Mr L. J. Tolley is to retire from the chairmanship and the board of Fodens and Mr J. D. Paybody, ceed him.

From St Johns, Newtoundland, to Van-couver, British Columbia, prospectors are polishing their picks in anticipation of wieter's end. For 1980 could be a boom **Prospectors ready** While attention has focused on gold to blaze new trails

remembering three point. First, all these companies are small—or at least the gold

price is about 12 cents, proven reserves at current operating rates are just three years. Nevertheless, earnings per share last year could be C\$3.50 compared with C\$2.53 in 1978. But at about 12 times

earnings, the stock is not considered un-duly expensive or risky, at least in Canada.

One reason in the case of Dome for the optimism is that gold reserves are in fact

much bigger than proven ore figures suggest. The mine has been producing for

nearly 70 years, and the large Timmins

property is considered to be rich A second

point in its favour is that Dome has exten-

of Dome Perroleum, which has a stake in

the Beaufort Sea, 20 per cent in Canada Tungsten, 57 per cent of Campbell Red

Lake and 63 per cent of Sigma, both gold

and South Africa, and on the stock market surge in Australia, British investors may have forgotten that the factors buying up markets in those countries also apply now cost about C\$750m to bring to operation, at 1979 prices, compared with thalf as much 10 years ago.

The very long lead time in developing such projects means that new sources of finance will be required, a need reinfor-

north of the 4th parallel Two particular facts make Canada attractive, apart from the generally favour-able political and investment environment. One is the large number of mining com-panies, across the whole spectrum of metals into uranium, asbestos, and of course oil and gas, which are sitting on good deposits. The other, from the standpoint of the British investor, is the relative weakness of the Canadian dollar.

Mining

Among the major deposits which were discovered in Canada in the 1970s are: copper at Galore Creek, Minto-Def, Schaft Creek, Cattace Valley, and Copper Lake; nickel at Great Lakes Nickel, Raglan and Sudbury; zinc and lead at Polaris, Cyprus, Anvil, Tom, Howard's Pass, Grum, and Izok Lake.

Among miscrars other than metals, coal abounds, especially in the prairies; asbestos is found at Eastern Townships and Abitibi; and on occasions the whole country seems to be made of uranium, notably if you live around the Athabasca Basin, site of the famous rar sands. But despite the high rate of significant finds, investment funds have been sur-

prisingly slow in coming. During the past decade Canadian capital and replacement spending on primary mineral production went up by only 4 per cent a year. Moreover, this average conceals a steep fall towards the end of the decade. Capital

spending in 1979 was \$C480 million (£182 million), or about 20 per cent below the trend, according to Mr Hugh Snyder, president and chief executive of Brinco. Although in certain areas—particulary uranium, oil and gas—Canadian companies bave attracted considerable investment other developments have clearly suffered from inflation. It is estimated that a copper mill and smelter with an annual capacity of 100,000 tonnes a year would



the early gold rush days.

producers, and 10.1 per cent in Denison Mines, one of the country's six uranium

who grow restless at night on contemplat-ing Sigma's leverage of about 36 cents on earnings per share for a \$20 rise in the gold price, an interesting proposition is Teck Corporation.

The company mines most of the metals known to man, including precious ones, and has the obligatory energy interests

Michael Prest

Some pointers for those tempted to

resulted from the increasing volumes of crude now being sold by producer countries direct to governments and other new customers.

Other companies with proven records of strong and consistent growth, such as BTR, Ren-tokil and Stewart Plastics are included on the recommended From Williams de Broe Hill

be bought on any relative weakness as a medium and long-

existing activities.

Brokers' views

probably limited, but it is too soon to consider purchases. Hedderwick, Stirling, Grum-bar's look at the Burton Group concludes that the shares are cheap and that the shares are cheap and that it offers one of the best retail investments of the 1980s. "Backed by property assets in excess of 225p a share, controlled by a proven but still ambitious management team and structurally well balanced throughout the major growth areas of the United Kingdom clothing market, the shares are

clothing market, the shares are fundamentally good value, say Mr Robin Althaus. Mr Neil McShane and Mr Keith Wills. 1980-81 profits should be 52 percent hicker at £27.7m compared with 1979's £18.2m.

There is less enthusiasm for Sears Holdings from Williams de Broe Hill Chaplin who says that the group's dominant footwear division is not now expected to fulfil the promise of the first half, and will only maintain profits in the second six months. But this disappointment should be slightly mitigated by other divisions as the department stores, fashion and other retail interests are thought to be less affected by adverse trading conditions than

politically stable countries. Rosemary Unsworth

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appointed a non-executive director of Anderson Strathelyde.

Mr Jonathan A. Meighan has joined Dowty Group as assistant managing director of Ultra Electronic Components.

invest in oil shares

Brendan Wilders, who say that the shares should be bought on any weakness. "Such are the attractions of the company to predators, particularly crude-short companies, that we con-sider Lasmo should be valued on an asset basis which we esti-mate to be not less than £5.50 a share," they say.

And asset values could be considerably higher if the more optimistic estimates of the group's T-block reserves are group's I-block reserves are proved to be justified, they add. In a general view of the changing world oil scene. Mr P. L. Morgan of James Capel points out that stocks are likely to remain at higher levels than previously. This is because of the fragmentation of the oil distribution network that has resulted from the increasing

The impact of recently in-creased oil prices will also have a bearing on the chemical ina bearing on the chemical in-dustry, according to Mr George Priebe of Panmure Gordon. He says that United Kingdom chemicals companies which are already experiencing difficult trading conditions, should see earnings growth further under-mined by additional energy costs. So he recommends ICI which is expected to see a costs, so he recommends ICI which is expected to see a hefty contribution to profits of £79m in 1979, and £150m in 1930, from its 19 per cent stake in the Ninian oil field.

Speciality groups such as Laporte and BOC are also on the list for increased earnings.

Chaplin, United Biscuits merits a suggestion that shares should term investment. Pretax pro-fits in 1990 should reach at least \$51m despite another sharp rise in interest rates, particularly as the group is well-placed to cope with any

For investors who have been captivated by the activity in the oil sector in the past week, the quarterly oil review from Montagu, Loebi, Stanley & Co provides some pointers with recommendations to stay with most of the leading producer companies. Lasmo is considered to be the pick of the bunch by Mr Nicholas Thorniley and Mr Brendan Wilders, who say that trading-down in the biscuit market, while price increases the inflation rate should ensure that volume holds up. Mr R. A. R. Brand says that AB Foods should make around floom in the year to March, but the shares could be vulnerable to any adverse political or trading developments, although it is going for profits growth through greater effigrowth through greater effi-ciency and development of Mr Brand has also lowered

his forecasts for Rowntree Mackintosh in 1979 and 1980 to £40.5m and £45m respectively, saying that the scope for

adverse trading conditions than might have been expected, says Mr Simon Raggett. Pretax pro-fits will probably move to £92.7m in 1979-80 and produce £105m the following year. Heselvine, Moss point out that Rio Tinto-Zine's wide diversification augurs well for the future, particularly as the

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MARKET REPORTS

River Plate centre of Russian activity

It appears from events last week that Soviet charterers may have been too successful in reletting the tonnage they originally fixed to ship grain prior to the United States ban. The same charterers were back in the market seeking a number of vessels including some to move grain.

ber of vessels including some to move grain.

As usual few details of any fixtures were available but in particular the Russian interest centred on tonnage out of the River Plate, adding weight to the reports that Argentina is not supporting the American ban on grain sales.

The Soviets were reportedly after vessels between 25,000 tonner was rumoured to have been booked for a River Plate round voyage after delivery at Gibraltar at a rate of \$11,000 a day. Other tonnage apparently lined

other tonnage apparently lined up involved a 27,000 tonner for a trip from the Far East to Europe via Australia at \$9,500 a day and a slightly smaller vessel from Australia to Europe at \$12,000 a day.

The Australian Government is to review its policy on grain sales to Russia in May, some two months before existing sale contracts expire. Some 2,260,000 tonnes of grain originally sold to Russia prior to the ban will be delivered by July but Australia is standing by its commitment not to replace any of the 17,000,000 replace any of the 17,000,000 tonnes purchased from the United States and cancelled under the ban.

This stockpile inevitably means the United States has a lot of grain to hand and it is busy trying to find alternative busy trying to find alternative sources. Taiwan recently bught just over 1,000,000 tonnes and Japan is considering taking 700,000 tonnes. Although nowhere near the total, at least these sales will keep some ships employed which otherwise would have had to find alternative cargoes.

Freight report

Certainly the hope of char-terers that Soviet reletting would cause rates to collapse has not been met. The market is as firm as ever with the tone in the east stable and in the west it improved after some recent softening. United States recent softening. United States Gulf to Japan grain rates recovered some ground with \$24.15 being paid for a £50,000 tonner and \$26 for a 30,000 tonner. Transatlantic rates also picked up by around 50 cents.

The general volume of trading through the week was hit by a holiday in the United States and voyage and time chartering tended to be quieter

than of late. The United States holiday also helped keep the tanker market in the sluggish state it has experienced over the last month or so. The pressure on rates resulted in further decline and the going level for a vice now stands at around world scale 29.

Despite this being below the operational breakeven point, owners are preferring to keep their ships running, so main-taining cash flows, rather than returning ships to an expensive

The general feeling in the market is that rates will improve shortly. However, the basis for this optimism is thin. The volume of available tenage in the Gulf is likely to be a depressant on rates for some weeks abead. weeks ahead.

David Robinson

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Wall Street

New York, Feb 22—Stock prices fell as the NYSE index lost 0.23 to 65.80 and the average price per share 12 cents. Declines led advances 1,170 to 372. advances 1,170 to 372.

The Dow Jones industrial average edged up 0.25 to 868.77, shaving its loss for the week to 16.21.

Turnover slowed to 48.21 million shares from 51.53 yesterday.

More bad news on interest rates and inflation and speculation about the possible imposition of economic controls depressed stock prices in active trading.

Gold slips

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Issues turning point may be near

After prices of fixed-rate international dollar bonds fell by between four and six points last week, some usually pessimistic market participants are beginning to look for a turnaround, writes A.P. Dow-Jones.

"I think we are very close to the bottom," says Joseph Galazka, a senior vice president of Merrill Lynch International in charge of international bond trading.

Credit Suisse-First Boston, the average yield to maturity of five-year seasoned dollar notes came to 14.66 per cent on Friday while long-term yields were rates without inflicting serious damage to the structure of the credit markets.

Accordingly, he foresees a possibility of some form of administrative action being introduced to limit credit expansion rather than use of ever-

trading.
Until recently, Mr Galazka

has consistently been pessimis-tic about the outlook for the international bond market. He says with some pride that throughout the unprecedented slide in bond prices this year, his trading operation has been profitable. He explains that his traders have been able to mainover the past several weeks. However, Mr Galazka says that the recent upward adjustthat the recent upward adjustment in short-term and long-term dokar interest rates has been so great that further increases are likely to be limited.

As of Friday, three-month rates for interbank dollar deposits in London stood at a record buge amount of funds held the sits in London stood at a record buge amount of funds held the six-month rate came to 16.94 bond market.

Mr William Steen, an executive director of Chasa Manwere both at 14.19 per cent.

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Euromarkets

Mr Galazka contends that short-term interest rates will probably stay at high levels for some months but that long-term yields could start to drop in the coming weeks as investors train short positions, which intain short positions, which involve selling borrowed bonds
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pansion rather than use of ever higher interest rates.

"If we get a clear-cut signal that action is going to be taken in the area of controls, we could have a substantial rally in the bond market", he says.

Commenting on the same sub-ject. Merrill Lynch economists said in an internal report that a major effort to curb reserve and bank credit would produce a sharp upward thrust in shortterm rates over the near-term but that such an effort would simultaneously reduce inflationary expectations and could lead

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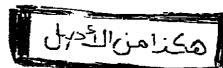
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Peter Jones (left) plays an Arab with evil on his mind in Jukes of Piccadilly (ITV, 4.45).

 Those who complain that situation comedy is in the doldrums -and there are people who say that, believe it or not (cries of "Shame!")—should feel somewhat mollified tonight with the start of Yes Minister (BBC 2, 9.00). In this series the kitchen sink and the bedroom, the office and the factory, the husband/ wife/lover/children/aunt/dog/vicar/undertaker permutations, and the other standard scenarios of sitcom have been cast aside. But what on earth is left? you scream, nerves at breaking point. Why the government, of course—and what could be funnier than that? Writers Antony Jay and Jonathan Lynn have developed the theme of a new minister's relationship with his civil servants into a witty satire on the governance of Britain, to coin a phrase. Such topics as the EEC, official secrets and quangos may seem unpromising raw material, but just think about them for a moment and you'll see their rib-tickling potentialities. Paul Eddington plays the minister and his permanent secretary is Nigel Hawthorne (see also Jukes of Piccadilly, ITV, 4.45). Pity about the title, though.

Talking about government, Panorama (BBC 1, 8.10) sets Robin Day on the Prime Minister to chew over the Tories' economic and industrial policies. It could be billed like a wrestling contest: the Iron Lady versus the Stainless Stee! Pundit. Anyway, don't be surprised if things like picketing are mentioned. The other half of the programme features a report by Philip Tibenham on George Bush, the man some Americans are calling a Republican Jimmy Carter, on the eve of the New Hampshire primary. Guest appearance by Ronald Reagan, who has denounced Bush as a closet liberal but is sufficiently worried by him to abandon his quasi-presidential aloofness in favour of a toe-to-toe scrap.

● And talking abut economic policy, Radio 4 launches a week-long series of programmes about the effects of public spending cuts with You and Yours person Sue Cook examining the provision of services from ante-natal care to playgroups (Radio 4, 12.02). There is a follow-up phone-in on Tuesday then the series will go on to deal with education, pensioners, unemployment and health. The general title is Coping with the Cuts: it begins to look as if our spoon-fed society is suffering from a collective dose of paranoia.

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TELEVISION

BBC 1

6.40 am Open University; 6.40 Tria Formulae, 7.05 Looking at Inequal-ity, 7.30 In Search of Zion, Close down at 7.55.

9.00 For Schools, Colleges: 9.00 A
Good job with Prospects—Electronic Engineering (r). 9.30 Biology—Food and Population (r).

9.52 Communicate ! (documentary about john Hersey's Riroshima, about six A-bomb survivors). 10.15
Music Time (harmony with a

about six A-bomb survivors). 10.15
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barber shop quartet). 10.38 Maths
Topics—Statistics (r). 11.00
Merry-go-Round—Sleepers on the
Hill (r).
11.25 You and Me: 1 2 3 4 5 (r).
11.40 For Schools, Colleges: General Studies—The Silicon Factor,
2. Closedown at 12.05.
12.45 am News.
1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Showjumper Harvey Smith and his upand-coming son launch a new
series called The Medal Chasers.
Also, on the day his new comedy
series begins the star guest is Paul
Eddington (see Personal Choice).
1.45 How Do You Do? Story is A
Windy Day (r). Vindy Day (r).

6.40 am Open University: 6.40 Modulation; 7.05 Quantum Theory and Atomic Structure; 7.30 Electron Microscopy. Closedown at

7.55.
10.05 It Figures: Pictures and Charts. Jimmy Young's guide to everyday maths.
10.30 The Handicapped Family:

Growing Up.

11.00 Play School: Same as BBC1 at 3.55. Closedown at 11.25.
2.15 pm Let's Go . . . and lend a hand, with Brian Ris.

9.30 am For Schools: My World—Boundaries; 9.47 Finding Out—Venict; 10.05 How We Used to Live (Victorian law and order): 10.28 Starting Out—Football Crazy, 2; 10.45 The Living Body (the blood): 11.01 Documentar Rerua (life in the Yorkshare Oales); 11.22 Picture Box—Nico, Boy of Greece; 11.39 Making a Living—Th Bradford Godfather.

BBC 2

THAMES

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from Sunday).

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12.00 We'll Tell You a Story.

1.00 News with Peter Sissons.

12.10 pm Rainbow, for children.

12.30 Numbers at Work (repeat

1,20 Thames News with Robin

1.30 About Britain; Tom Weir visits the most northerly island of Orkneys.

2.00 Food, Wine and Friends:

Wine expert and author Hugh Johnson joins Robert Carrier.

2.30 Film: Squeeze a Flower (1969). Indifferent comedy about a monk who makes off with a secret formula for a liqueur on which his monastery's fortunes are based.

4.15 Clapperboard: Chris Kelly looks at two Olympics films, Visions of Eight and White Rock.

2.01 For Schools, Colleges: 2.01 Words and Pictures—Thomas the Tiger Teacher (r). 2.18 Out of the Past—Georgian England (r). 2.40 Going to Work—Hairdressing. Closedown at 3.00.
3.15 Songs of Praise from Wrexham (report from Sunday)

3.15 Songs of Praise from Wrexham (repeat from Sunday).
3.55 Play School, presented by Carole Chell and Stuart McGugan. The story is Jumping Shoes.
4.20 Touthe Turtle: Cartoon.
4.25 Jackanory: Gemma Jones reads Nina Bawden's The Robbers.
4.40 Heyyy, It's the King: Cartoon.
5.00 John Craven's Newsround.
5.05 Blue Peter with Simon Groom, Christopher Wenner and Tina Heath. Heath. 5.40 News with Peter Woods. 5.55 Nationwide: In the second part of his London series, Glyn Wosenia herograp a shibit.

Worsnip becomes a cabble. 6.45 Olympic Grandstand: Close of the Winter Games. 7.15 Blake's Seven: Rumours of Death, Sci-fi hokum. 8.10 Panorama (see Personal Choice).
9.00 News with Kenneth Kendal.
9.25 Film: The Spiral Staircase
(1975). Glossy remake of a Fortles

Course: Buying and cooking chi-cken and duck (repeat from Friday). 4.00 Modern Language Teaching r), Closedown at 4.25. 50 Open University: 4.50 Maths; 15 Freedom and Pienty. 40 Charlie Brown: Cartoon

series. 6.05 James Burke's Connections : Gin and tonic, nylon stockings, Lloyd's of London and the Glasgow gasworks. Where will it all end? 6.55 Training Dogs the Woodhouse gasworks. Where will it all

And, with Brian Ris.

2.30 Roads to Conflict: Nasser and Israel. The causes and consequences of the 1967 Middle East war (r).

3.00 That's the Way the Money Goes: Buying a Dream (r).

3.30 Deita Smith's Cookery Newley: Nostalgia with music.

sode one of a new story, The Case of the Arabian Kidnap.

9.00 Yes Minister: New comedy series (see Personal Choice). 9.30 Horizon: The Big If . . . Follow-up to last week's programme about cancer in China. Now the western medical approach and the chances of the "wonder-drug" interferon being used to combat

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PIII Pals. 2.18 For Schools. 4.40 lais
and the Farm on the MBI. 5.55 Wales
Today. 6.20 Tom and Jerry. 6.30 Heddiw. 11.50 News and weather. Scatland: 11.00 am For Schools. 12.15 pm
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5.55 Reporting Scotland. 11.50 News.
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England: 5.55 pm Regional Magazines.
11.35. Close.

chiller about a psychopath who

murders handicapped people. Christopher Plummer, Jacqueline Bisser, Sam Wanamaker, Elaine

Bisset, Sam Wanamaker, Elaine Stritch.

10.55 Film 80: The inimitable and apparently indestructible George Burns, just turned 84, talks about his latest film role as a geriatric bank robber. Barry Norman also looks at The Onion Field and the return of Ken Loach and Tony Garnett to feature films with Black lack.

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11.27 Education Matters: Harry Rée, university professor turned class teacher, defends comprehensive schools in conversation with Adam Hopkins.

Regions

10.20 Russian—Language and people: Continuing our little Moscow love story and a look at the Russian family. 10.45 Newsnight.

11.39 Arena: Six days in the life of abstract painter John Hoyland as he completes a new painting (repeat from last Wednesday).

12.05 am Closedown: Joy Parker reads Manners by Elizabeth

4.45 Jukes of Piccadilly: Peter Jones is the guest star in this comedy-thriller for crildren. Epi-5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News with Andrew Gardner and Tricia Carter. 6.30 Crossroads: Adam asks Meg 5.15 Money-Go-Round: Joan Shenton and Tony Bastable look at car servicing and the rising cost of getting married. Also, a glimpse of the business suit for women.

7.00 The Kenny Everett Video Show, starring Hot Gossip. 7.30 Coronation Street: Stan Orden is sought by solicitors. 8.00 Rushton's Illustrated : Willie begins rehearsals for the movie classic Werewolf on the Gigantic. 8.30 World in Action: The Final Harvest. An investigation into per-haps the most horrific after-effect of the Vietnam war—the deformed children born to soldiers and civilians who came into contact with chemical defoliants like Agent Orange.

9.00 The Sandbaggers: It Couldn't Happen Here. Lovable Neil Burnside gets involved in two apparently unconnected deaths. 10.00 News.

10.30 Film: Two Mules for Sister Sorp (1969) Don Siegel Western in which tough guy Clint Eastwood learns something about life from resourceful nun Shirley MacLaine. 12.35 am Close: Michael Bentine reads Shelley's Ozymandias.

2.00 pm-3.00 Schools: Exploration Earth; Listening and Reading II; Speak; Movement and Drama II. 5.50 Regional news, weather. 11.00 Study on 4: World Powers in the twentieth century (19). 11.30-12.10 am Open University: Music Interlude; Aural Training (1).

RADIO

Radio 3 6.55 am (mw only) Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 records: Weber, Strauss, Liszt.†
8.00 News.

10.45 Four Frightened People (11). 11.00 News. 11.05 Offsbore Britons. 11.50 Poetry Please! 11.50 Poetry Please!
12.00 News.
12.02 pm You and Yours.
12.27 Brain of Britain 1980.†
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News.

3.00 News. 3.02 Listen With Mother. 3.15 Play: The Mark of the Warrior.†
4.45 Story: The End of the Party.
5.00 PM.
5.55 Weather.

Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Week.

10.05 Money Box. 10.30 Daily Service.

6.10 Farming Week.
6.30 Today.
7.00, 8.00 News.
7.30, 8.30 Headlines.
8.35 The Week on 4.
8.45 BBC Sound Archives.
9.00 News.
9.05 Start the Week.
10.00 News.

10.30 The News Quiz.†

11.30 Today in Parliament. 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather. VHP 6.50 am Regional news, weather.

11.15 Financial World Tonight.

11.00 A Book at Bedtime

7.50 Regional news, weather. 9.35-10.30 Schools: The Jackie Stewart Road Show; Radio Thin King; Notice Board I; Time to 10.45-12.00 Schools: Da sind wir wieder!; Singing Together; Springboard; Theatre Workshop.

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8.05 News.
8.05 Records: Rossini, Mozart
(K355), Haydn (Sym 33).†
9.00 News.
9.05 Week's Composers: Satie,
Poulenc.†
10.00 Choir, etc: Kodaly.†
10.50 Piano, violin: Webern (inc 4
Picces—Stern/Rosen), Berg (Variations, Souata—Bradshaw).†
11.40 BBC Northern So/Leppard:
Stravinsky, Berlioz, Shostakovich
(Sym 9).†
1.00 pm News.
1.05 Piano (Vogel, life from St
John's): Beethoven (Hammerklavier).†

John's): Beenoven (Hammer Stavier).†
2.00 Matinee Musicale.†
3.00 Organ: Buxtehude, S. S. Wesley, Darke, Stanford.†
3.35 New Records: Goetz, Broschi,
Liszt. Leoncavallo, Tchafkovsky.† 4.55 News. 5.00 (mw and mono only from 6.20) Music for early evening.† 7.00 Cello (Tortelier): Bach (Suite 7.30 Berlin PO/Solti: Mahler (Sym 2).+

9.00 The Man in the Middle: interview with Hermann Eilts.
9.45 Plano Quintets: Bridge, Josephs (1st bdcst).† 10.50 Piano (Grainger, 1925): Brahms (op 5). 11.25 Jazz in Britaln.† 11.55-12.00 News.

VHF 6.00-7.00 am Open University: Germany 1789-1820; Images and Reahtty; French Organ Tradition.
6.20-7.00 pm Open University: The
Sociology of Religion; Handling
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5.00 am News, weather. 5.03 Store
jones.† 7.32 Ray Moore.† 10.03
Jimmy Young.† 12.03 pm David
Hamilton.† 2.03 Ed Stewart.† 4.03
Much More Music.† 5.00 News.
5.05 Waggoners' Walk. 5.20 Much
More Music.† 6.03 John Dunn.†
8.02 The Organist Emerains.† 8.30
Folk 80.† 9.02 Humphrey Lyttelton.† 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.02
Movie Quiz. 10.30 Star Sound.
11.02 Brian Matthew. 2.02 am-5.00
You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1 5.00 am As Radio 2. 6.00 Dave Lee Travis. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.31 Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm Peter Pow-ell. 4.31 Kid Jensen. 7.00 Stayin' Alive. 8.00 Mike Read. 9.50 News-beat. 10.00 John Peel. † 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 2.

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As London except: 12.00-12.30 pm Closedown. 1.20 Channel News. 2.00 Film: Knock on any Door. 3.45 Food. Wine and Friends. 5.15 University Challenge. 6.00 Channel News. 6.10 Lone Ranger. 10.28 Channel News. 10.36 Pardoe Programme. 11.05 BJ and the Bear. 12.00 Nows and weather in French.

Westward As London except: 1.20 pm Westward News. 2.00 Plm: Knock on any Door. 3.42 Gas Honeybur's Birthdays. 3.45 Food, Wine and Priends. 5.15 Univer-sity Challenge. 6.00 Westward Days 10.32 Westward News. 10.36 Pardoc Programme. 11.05 BJ and the Bear. 12.09 Faith for Life.

Anglia

As Lonodn except: 1.25 am Anglia News. 2.00 Film: The Storyteller, 3.45 Food, Wine and Friends. 5.15 Linter-sity Challenge. 6.00 About Anglia. 10.30 Cross Question. 11.00 Nov Arengers. 12.00 Big Country, 12.30 am Reflection.

As London except: 1.20 pm ATV News-desk, 2.00 Film: Rendervous with Romance, 3.45 Food, Wine and Friends, 5.15 The Television Programme, 6.00 ATV Today, 10.30 Left, Right and Crepts, 11.00 ATV Newsdesk, 11.05 Barney Miller, 11.35 Divorce and Aiter, 12.05 are Something Different.

Border As London except: 1.20 pm Border News. 2.30 Firm: Cry of the Wild. 5.15 University Challenge. 6.60 Lookaround Monday. 6.15 Cohecting with Curits. 10.20 Film: If He Hollers, Let Him Go. 12.20 am Border News.

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Southern

As London except: 1.20 pm Report West. 2.00 Here Today. 2.20 Film: Seven Days to Noon. 6.15 Dick Tracy. 5.20 Crosswads. 6.00 Report West. 10.35 Food. Wine and Friends. 11.05 Sap. 11.35 Mackenzic Affair. HTV CYMRU/WALES: As General Service except: 10.05 About Wales. 1.20 pm Penawdau Newyddion y Dydd. 1.25 Report Wales 1.20 Crythnos. Wythnos. HTV WEST: No variations.

Yorkshire As London except: 1.20 pm Calenda News, 2.00 Film: Geordie, 3.45 took Wine and Friends, 5.15 Universit Challenge, 6.00 Calendar, 10.31 Country Calendar, 11.00 Police Story.

Scottish

Ulster As London except: 1.20 pm Lanchtime. 2.00 Film: Goordie. 3.45 Food. Wine and Friends. *5.15 Carloon. 5.20 Cressroads. 6.00 Good Evering Uister. 10.30 Irish Factor. 11.00 Odd Coupit. 11.30 Gardening Today. 11.55 Bedumo.

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As London except: Starts 9.25 am First Thing, 1.20 pm North News. 2.30 Film: The Purple Pieln, 5.15 wild World of Ardinals. 5.00 North Tonight, 10.30 Reflections, 10.35 Film: The Hustler, 12.20 am North News, Tyne Tees

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